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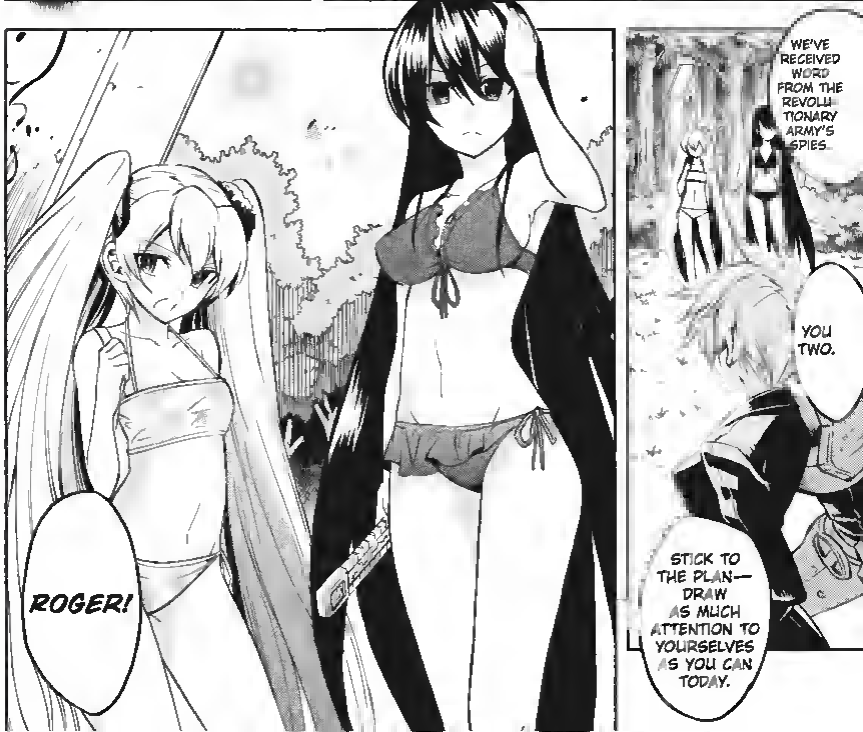
GHHH (CREEEEEAK)
DO (CHARGE)
DO DO DO DO DO DO
!
IT'S ESDEATH AND HER JAEGERS.
ALL SIX OF THEM ARE HEADING EAST ON HORSE-BACK!

BA (WHIP)
KARI (SCRATCH)
KARI
KARI
THE OPERATION IS PLAYING OUT JUST AS NAJENDA PREDICTED!
I'M COUNTING ON YOU, MARG FALCON.
GET THIS INFORMATION TO NIGHT RAID!
BASA (FLAP)
PLEASE SURVIVE, NIGHT RAID!
THESE MISSIONS WILL PUSH THEM TO THEIR VERY LIMITS...
ASSASSINATING THE LEADERS OF THE RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION AND CONFRONTING THE JAEGERS...

CHAPTER 29: KILL THE JAEGERS

THAT MEANS THEY'VE DEPLOYED THE ENTIRE JAEGERS UNIT.
...SO THERE'S SIX OF THEM.

SA (SWF)
...ALL RIGHT, THEN!
...THEY SHOULD BE HERE BY TOMORROW AFTERNOON.
...CONSIDERING ESDEATH'S SPEEDY PROGRESS AND ASSUMING THEY'VE ACCURATELY TRACED OUR ROUTE...


ROGER!
STICK TO THE PLAN— DRAW AS MUCH ATTENTION TO YOURSELVES AS YOU CAN TODAY.
YOU TWO.
WE'VE RECEIVED WORD FROM THE REVOLUTIONARY ARMY'S SPIES...

OH, MAN.
SEEING THE GIRLS IN THEIR SWIMSUITS IN A PLACE LIKE THIS... I COULDN'T BE HAPPIER...
.....
WHOSE SWIMSUIT DO YOU LIKE BETTER? MINE OR CHELSEA'S?
OOH, I WANT TO HEAR WHAT HE THINKS.
GAY.
HUH !?
DON'T GO ALL SLACK-JAWED OVER IT. WE'RE STILL ON A MISSION, DON'T FORGET.
ARE YOU CRAZY!? OR GAY!?
IT'S NOT THAT !!
TA-TSU-MI.

すい
SUI (PRESS)
SO.
WHICH IS IT?

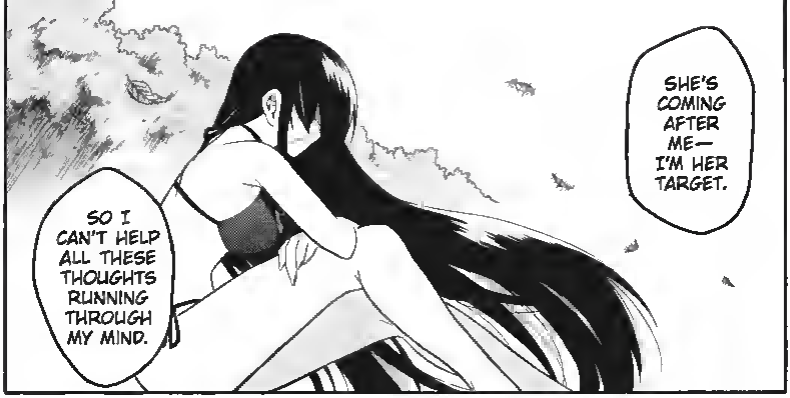
UH...
I, UH...

IF YOU'D ASKED ME, I'D HAVE SHOUTED THE PRAISES OF BOTH WHILE THROWING MYSELF INTO YOUR BOSOMS AND SINGING THE NATIONAL ANTHEM!
WHY'D YOU ASK TATSU-MI...!?
BECAUSE OF EXACTLY WHAT YOU WOULD DO.

WOW, SU-SAN! YOU'RE JUST AS RIPPED AS I IMAGINED.
AWWW, HE DODGED THE QUES-TION.

AW, MAN, I WAS HOPING TO GET TO PLAY A LITTLE TOO!
...TEAM "THE ENEMY DOESN'T KNOW OUR FACES" IS REALLY NOISY.
KYA HA HA HA!
GRR! RAH!

IS SOMETHING THE MATTER, AKAME?
OH...
NOTHING...
GYU ~(SQUEEZE)
ARE YOU THINKING ABOUT YOUR LITTLE SISTER?
...YEAH.


SHE'S COMING AFTER ME— I'M HER TARGET.
SO I CAN'T HELP ALL THESE THOUGHTS RUNNING THROUGH MY MIND.

EVEN IF YOUR LITTLE SISTER DIES...

...YOU CAN'T SAY YOU'LL BE LEFT ALL ALONE. YOU'D BE WRONG.

ちょこん
CHOKON (SIT)

YOU HAVE US.
BE GRATEFUL FOR THAT.
...RIGHT.

THE NEXT DAY
RO-MARY HIGH-WAY
NAJENDA'S CONTINUING EAST WHILE AKAME'S GOING SOUTH!
THEY WERE SEEN SPLITTING INTO TWO TEAMS UPON LEAVING TOWN.
I'LL GIVE YOU SOME MEAT LATER.
NAUGHTY, NAUGHTY! THAT'S MINE!
IF YOU KEEP GOING EAST, YOU REACH KYOROKU, WHERE THE WAY OF PEACE IS BASED.
IF YOU GO SOUTH, YOU REACH CITIES BACKING THE REBEL ARMY.
EITHER WAY, IT SEEMS SOME-THING IS IN THE WORKS.

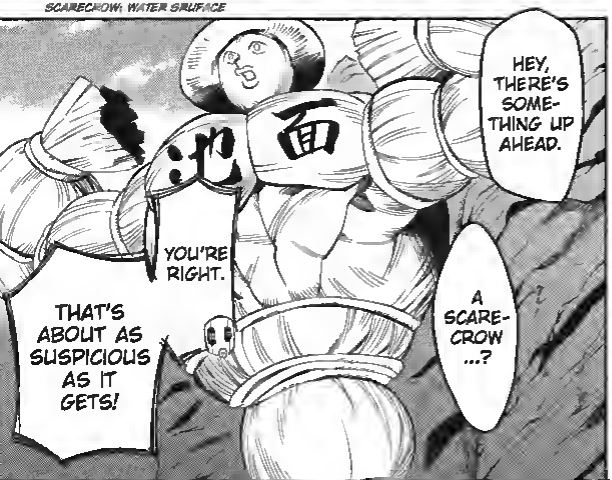
NIGHT RAID'S MEMBERS ARE TRAITORS FROM THE CAPITAL...
WANTED POSTERS OF THEM HAVE NOT BEEN WIDELY CIRCULATED YET, SO WE'VE ONLY BEEN ABLE TO TRACK THEM BECAUSE THEY LET THEMSELVES BE SEEN.
AND THEN THEY WERE WITNESSED SPLITTING INTO TWO TEAMS.
LET'S GO!
IF WE HURRY, WE CAN CATCH UP TO THEM IN NO TIME.
NO, LET'S WAIT.
YOU MEAN, THEY INTENTIONALLY DREW ATTENTION TO THEMSELVES?
DO YOU THINK THEY'RE TRYING TO LURE US OUT OF THE CAPITAL TO CRUSH US?
DON'T YOU FIND THAT A BIT TOO CONVENIENT?
YES.
THERE'S A HIGH PROBABILITY IT'S A TRAP.
NAJENDA WOULD PULL THAT KIND OF MOVE.
SHE FIGHTS A COOL FIGHT WITH A BURNING HEART.

WE CAN'T LET THIS OPPORTUNITY SLIP BY.
...NOT QUITE.
MEANING IT'D BE DANGEROUS FOR US TO GO AFTER THEM.
SERYU, RUN, AND I WILL GO AFTER NAJENDA.
NIGHT RAID'S BEEN VERY ELUSIVE, BUT NOW THEY'VE COMPLETELY EXPOSED THEMSELVES.
WE'LL JUST GO IN PREPARED FOR A TRAP.
KUROME, WAVE, AND BOLS WILL PURSUE AKAME.
...AND STRIKE THEM DOWN, TRAP AND ALL!

KEEP YOUR WITS ABOUT YOU AT ALL TIMES.
AND IF YOU FEEL TOO MANY OF THE ENEMY ARE ABOUT TO AMBUSH YOU, I DON'T CARE IF YOU HAVE TO RETREAT.
WE'RE ON THE OFFENSIVE, BUT LET'S NOT MAKE THIS A SUICIDE MISSION.
THEY'RE THE LAST RATS PLAGUING THE CAPITAL.
CHASE THEM DOWN AND THEN SHOOT THEM DEAD!!
ALL RIGHT !!

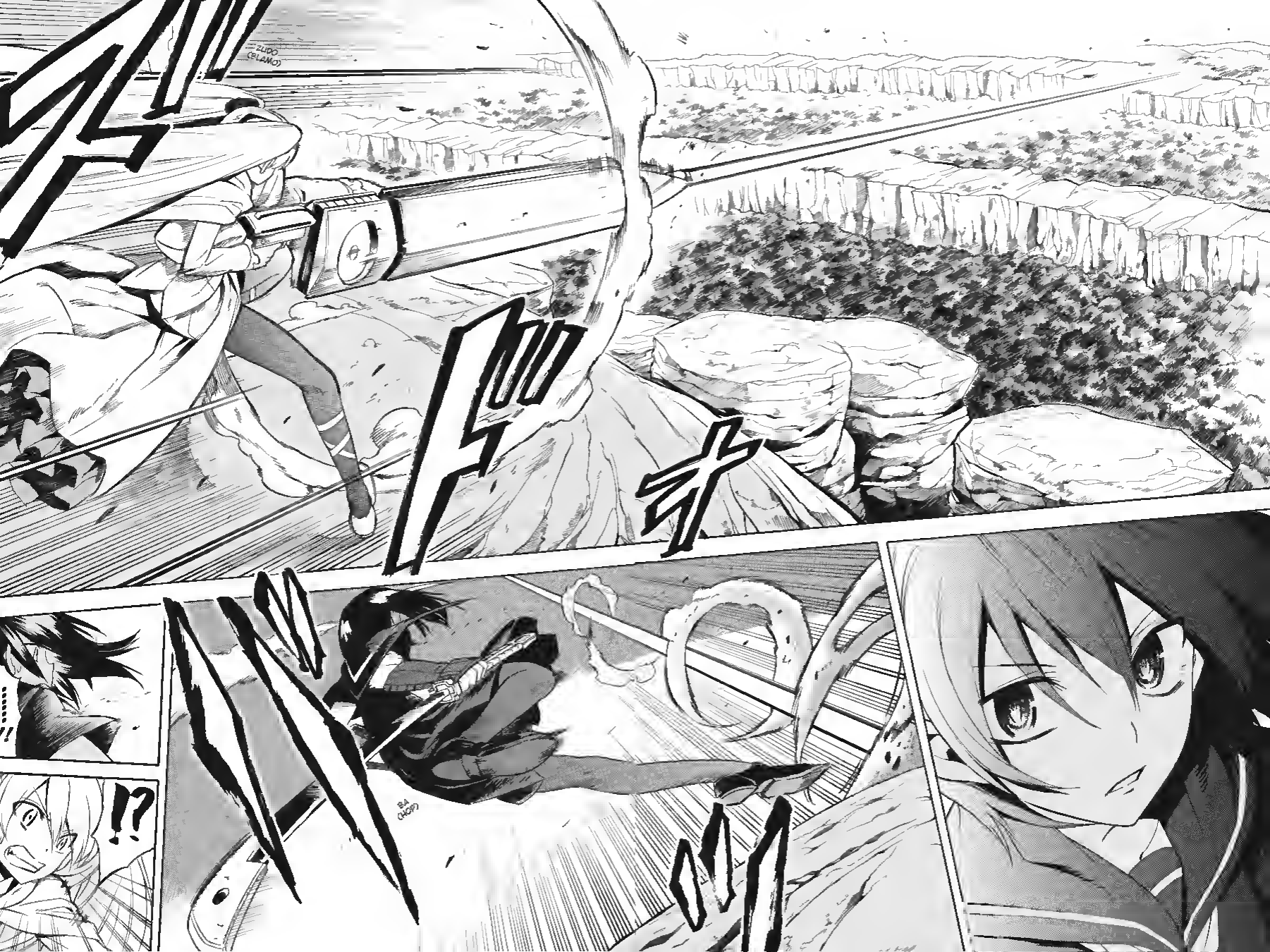
DO (GALLOP)
DO
DO
DO
DO
SO WE'LL BE TAKING ON THE CAPITAL'S STRONGEST, NIGHT RAID...
I WONDER IF I REALLY STAND A CHANCE...
YOU'LL BE FINE.
WHEN I TOOK ON ONE OF NIGHT RAID'S MEMBERS, HE DIDN'T FIGHT BACK.
BUT I COULD SENSE HE WAS RIGHT ON PAR WITH ME IN TERMS OF ABILITY.
IF WE WORK TOGETHER, I'M SURE WE CAN BEAT THEM!
YOUR TEIGU IS SUITED FOR TAKING ON BIG NUMBERS.
IT'S REASSURING TO HAVE YOU HERE.
.....I HOPE SO...
HMPH.
YOU TALK BIG, BUT...

SCARECROW: WATER SURFACE



I HOPE IT'S NOT A TRAP.
LET'S INVESTIGATE IT CAREFULLY.
PHEW, THAT WAS HEAVY!
TARGETS SIGHTED!
JUDGING BY THEIR NUMBERS, ESDEATH SPLIT HER FORCES AND WENT EAST AFTER THE BOSS HERSELF.
JUST AS WE ANTICIPATED!

...SHE LOOKS JUST LIKE HER...
THEY REALLY ARE SISTERS...
GACHA GACHA
ALL THE MORE REASON...
...TO NOT MAKE AKAME HAVE TO DO IT. I'LL FINISH HER OFF...!!
I'LL AT LEAST PUT HER DOWN WITH ONE SHOT.


ZUDO
(SLAM!)
FUU
!?
BA
(HOP)

SHE DODGED IT!
THOSE REFLEXES WERE FASTER THAN ANY HUMAN'S!
MISHI (SQUISH)
SARI (SKRIP)
KUROME!
LOOK OUT!!

WHOA!

WAVE!
SO WE WEREN'T ABLE TO TAKE HER OUT WITH OUR SNIPER.
BUT OUR TEAM-WORK PAID OFF.
EVEN IF THE ONE WE BLEW AWAY WASN'T A TARGET.
ZA (SCUFF)
GOKI (CRACK)
NIGHT RAID...?
AND IT'S ALL OF THEM!?
SO THE MOVEMENT IN THE EAST WAS A COMPLETE BLUFF.

KUROME AND BOLS.
YOU ARE OUR TARGETS FROM AMONG THE JAEGERS.
SAY YOUR PRAYERS.
TARGETS...
I'VE BURNED SO MANY VICTIMS I'VE LOST COUNT...
...SO IT'S NO SURPRISE I'M BEING TARGETED BY ASSASSINS ...

...BUT...
GACHA (CLICK)
...I...
...WILL NOT DIE!!

KU-
ROME
.....
SISTER.
I'VE
MISSED
YOU SO
MUCH.
THIS
IS
WON-
DER-
FUL.
KAKI
CCHO
IF I
KILL
YOU MY-
SELF...
"
ZU
(SWF)
...I CAN
ADD YOU
TO YATSU-
FUSA'S
COLLEC-
TION.

ZU
ZWOOSH
BOKU
GRABU
BOKO
BOKO

GO
GO
GO
GO (RUMBLE)
...WHA ...?
WHAT THE —!? AN EARTH-QUAKE !?
UNLIKE THE OLD ME...
...I CAN MAKE ANY AND ALL CORPSES MY PUPPETS...
...SISTER.
CHOCOCHO
MMMHZ

EVEN IF...
...IT'S A SUPER-CLASS DANGER BEAST... LIKE A DEATH TAGOOL.
IT WAS A GAMBLE AS TO WHETHER OR NOT ESDEATH WOULD SPLIT HER FORCES.
NOW I SEE. IF YATSUFUSA CAN DO THIS, THEN SOME LITTLE TRAP IS NOTHING FOR HER TO WORRY ABOUT!

NOW, THEN.
THE TEIGU BATTLE IS ABOUT TO BEGIN.
I WONDER HOW MANY WILL DIE?

CHAPTER 30
GAKII (CLANG)

I CAN'T LOSE THIS CHANCE !!
WHEN SHE'S PUP-PETING EIGHT CORPSES, HER MOVE-MENTS ARE SLOWED DOWN.

CHAPTER 30
KILL
THE
PUPPETS
(PART I)

GAKI
(CLANG)
BUN
(SWING)
ZA
(SKID)

GYURU
GYAAH
!
NATALA!!

KAKI CCHO
SHUUUUUU (FSSHHH)
GA
GA
GA
GA
GWLOO
YOU GREW UP WITH HIM AS TEAM-MATES!
PUT HIM BACK IN THE GROUND WHERE HE BE-LONGS!

GAKI (GRIND)
GA
GA
GA
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT, SISTER?
IT'S BECAUSE HE WAS MY TEAMMATE THAT I WANT TO STAY WITH HIM.
I'M GOING TO ADD YOU TO MY COLLECTION TOO.
THEN WE CAN BE TOGETHER AGAIN LIKE OLD DAYS.
... DON'T EVEN JOKE ABOUT THAT.

TOO BAD.
DON (BLAM)
DON (BLAM)
GYUGO (WHOOSH)
MAGMA DRIVE.

...KUH!
HIS TEIGU CAN FIRE LONG DISTANCES TOO...!
DA CRASH
GOO CWHOOSH

DON'T CHARGE IN ON YOUR OWN.
IT'S NOT LIKE YOU, AKAME.
I'M SORRY...

TA
(LEAP)
TA

LOOKS LIKE THIS WON'T BE AN EASY OPPONENT TO TAKE DOWN.
TO
(THUD)

SISTER...
YOU BETRAYED US TO JOIN THEM...
BA-CHWIP!
GYUDOO (SHHOOO)
GO!
DEATH TAGOOL!

GOOOOO
(WHOOOSH)

ミュウウウウ
SHUUUUUU (SSSHHHH)
SO THIS IS A SUPER-CLASS DANGER BEAST LIKE THEY USE FOR MAKING TEIGU...!
IT'S CRAZY POWER-FUL...!
AH HA HA HA.
GOGO (RUMBLE)
HE'S CHANGING THE TOPOG-RAPHY.
JUST AS I'D EXPECT FROM NIGHT RAID THOUGH...
PAKU (CRUNCH)
THEY SKILLFULLY DODGED IT.

SO THE BATTLE'S BEGUN...
!
DWAH!
DON
GOOOM
I'LL CARRY IT OUT EFFI-CIENTLY
YOU GOT IT.
I'M LEAVING YOU IN CHARGE OF THE TIMING AND OTHER DETAILS TOO.
YOU'RE AN EXPERT IN ASSASSINA-TIONS, BUT YOU'RE NOT CUT OUT FOR DIRECT COMBAT.
I'M ORDERING CHELSEA TO CARRY OUT GUERRILLA TACTICS FOR THIS MISSION.
SET UP A BARRIER AND KEEP AN EYE ON THE SKIES TOO.
LUBBOCK, YOU ACT AS HER LOOKOUT.

ALSO.
ポン
PON
PAT
IN THE EVENT ESDEATH'S GANG COMES HERE...
...STOP THEM WITH CRAWSTAIL'S TRUMP CARD
!
THIS IS AN IMPORTANT MISSION...
WE HAVE A PLAN IN PLACE TO KEEP ESDEATH AND HER TEAM FROM GETTING [illegible] BUT...
...WE NEVER KNOW WHAT THE REAL BATTLE WILL BRING
I WANT TO LEAVE THIS TO YOU BECAUSE YOU'RE AN ADAPTIVE THINKER
GOT IT...!
GU (CLENCH)
YOU CAN COUNT ON ME!

AND...WHEN I GET BACK FROM THIS TRIP, I THINK I'LL FINALLY TELL HER HOW I REALLY FEEL.
IF I DON'T TAKE ACTION SOON, SHE'LL BE SWEPT AWAY BY SU-SAN.
...BUT THIS IS NO TIME TO BE THINKING ABOUT THAT!
I'LL CARRY OUT MY DUTY WITHOUT FAIL...
NAJENDA...
I'VE GOT TO FOCUS!
BA (ZWIP)
ZORU (CRUSH)
GUA (LUNGE)

THAT'S THE WRONG CALL TO MAKE, NAJENDA.
SUSANOO! WE NEED EVERYONE TO BRING HIM DOWN!
ZA (GKID)
THE DEATH TAGOOL ...
... CERTAINLY PACKS A PUNCH.
?
HE'S A STRONG OPPONENT.
BUT.
GO (WHOOSH)

I CAN BRING HIM DOWN MYSELF.
PUT THE REST OF THE TEAM ON THE OTHERS!
GRAO
GWAGO

BA (WHIP)
THAT'S MY TEIGU, ALL RIGHT.
.....
THIS TIME I'LL SNIPE HER FOR SURE!
IF I CAN JUST TAKE OUT KUROME ...
MSOOHM) ZUO

DO (STAIR)
A TEIGU !?
KUH!
TA TA TA TA
TA (TAK)
GACHA (K-CLICK)

FINE BY ME.
A GUN-FIGHT, HUH...?
GACHA (CLICK)
BA (WHIP)
GRR...

I HAVEN'T SEEN HIS TYPE BEFORE...
SO HE'S THE WALKING CORPSE OF A DANGER BEAST TOO...
DO
DO GWAN
DO GWADOSHO
GUCHA
GCHOMP

!
TA (THUD)
ZU (SWING)
KOOOOO (WHOOO)
A NEW PLAY-ER!
GAH! (CLANG)

DO
DO
(JAB)
DO
NURU
(SHLOOP)
NURU
DO
!
BA
(HOP)
THIS ONE'S A NOVICE ...
WEAK, WEAK ...
GAKI!

IF I DIDN'T HAVE THIS ARMOR ON, I'D BE A GONER...
TA (TAK)
WHO IS THIS GUY!?
FAIL... AIL... AIL...
I CAN'T LET YOU SUPPORT THEM WITH THOSE FLAMES.
I'LL BURY YOU!
I CAN'T BELIEVE SHE'S CHARGING STRAIGHT FOR ME...
DO (CRUSH)
GACHA (CK-CLICK)

GOO (WOOSH)
HAAH!
!
TA (TAK)
ZASHU (ZISH)

MURASAME DOESN'T WORK ON CORPSE PUPPETS!!
KUH!
GA (WHACK)
HUH?
AKAME!
TA (CRASH)
DOSSA (THUD)
GYURU (WRENCH)

DOGOO (SMASH)
SHYU (WHIP)
PARA (CLAMP)
... OKAY, MISTER.
NOW YOU'VE GONE AND DONE IT.
I CAN SEE RIGHT THROUGH YOUR ATTACKS ...

FYUU (SWISH)
OR NOT!?
OW!
EVEN MY INCREASED DYNAMIC VISION FROM MY TRANSFORMATION CAN'T TRACK HIS ATTACK?
BUT HE'S NOT EVEN USING A TEIGU...
PACHI (SNAP)

KUH ...
YOU LIT-TLE ...!
WOW. WHAT A BATTLE ROYAL.
IT'S GETTING INTER-ESTING!
SEE?
THEY'RE NOT TOO BAD.
MY TOYS, I MEAN.
ZUKU (DRAG)
KUROME...

DEATH TAGOOL WAS FOUND HIBERNATING IN A DEEP CAVERN IN SEIGA.
THAT WAS A LUCKY FIND.
ROKUGOU WAS A GENERAL FROM THE EMPIRE.
HE WAS FOUND TO HAVE TURNED TO THE REBEL ARMY, SO I KILLED HIM.
HENTER WAS THE LONE SURVIVOR OF A SAVAGE TRIBE.
HE'S GOT SOME TRICKY MOVES, SO IT WAS TOUGH TAKING HIM DOWN. I'M PARTICULARLY PROUD OF THAT ONE.
APE MAN'S A MEATHEAD, BUT SINCE HE'S EASY TO USE, HE'S ALWAYS BEEN MY FAVORITE.
WALL WAS A FAMOUS BODY-GUARD.
I KILLED HIM BECAUSE HE WAS PROTECTING MY TARGET.
DOYA WAS A KILLER SENT IN FROM A NORTHERN TRIBE.
YOU CAN STILL SEE THAT CONFIDENT LOOK IN HER FACE...
...THOUGH WHEN I KILLED HER, SHE WAS BAWLING HER EYES OUT.

AND NATALA'S BEEN MY TEAMMATE SINCE WE WERE LITTLE.
WHEN I'M USING YATSUFUSA, HE COVERS MY BACK!

THE LAST ONE IS A DANGER BEAST I JUST RECENTLY TURNED INTO A PUPPET.
BUT I'LL BE INTRODUC-ING HIM A LITTLE LATER.

THERE'S STILL...
...ANOTHER ONE THAT HASN'T EVEN SHOWN UP YET!?

DAM-MIT!!
(LUNGE)
GYU (ZOOM)
GNAAH!
(SPLIT)
(SLASH)
WHAT THE —!?
(KRACK)
IT'S NO USE.
HE'S A PUP-PET.
PORI (CRACK)

EVEN IF YOU STAB HIS HEART, HE'LL KEEP MOVING.
DOGO GRUNTS
UNLESS YOU DEFEAT ME, THAT IS.

YOU WERE AN IMPERIAL GENERAL.
GIVEN YOUR STRENGTH, I'M NOT SURPRISED.
SO, MISTER.
BUT...
HYU (SWISH)
PASHI (SNATCH)
...I'M ALREADY USED TO IT!
DON'T THINK THE SAME TRICK WILL WORK ON ME FOREVER!

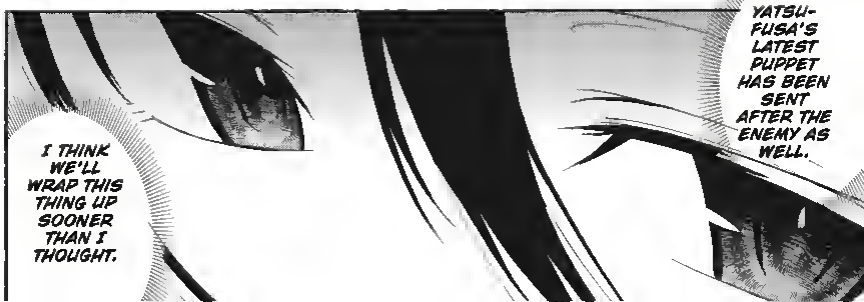
WELL DONE, LEONE!
KACHI (CLICK)
DO-GO (CRASH)
DON (SLAM)
!!
(CRASH)

GENERAL ROKUGOU.
AS A FORMER COLLEAGUE, I WILL FREE YOU FROM THIS CURSE AS SOON AS I CAN.
IT'S...
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I'VE SEEN THE BOSS IN A FIGHT.
ALL RIGHT, I'LL JOIN IN TOO...
GO (WHOOSH)
KIKI (CHK)

ZUDO
(SLASH)

!!
HEH HEH.
THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU TAKE YOUR EYES OFF ME.
SUSHU (SPURT)

ONCE I SEE AN OPENING, I GO RIGHT FOR IT.
AND I'LL KEEP GOING UNTIL YOU'RE ALL DEAD.


YATSU-FUSA'S LATEST PUPPET HAS BEEN SENT AFTER THE ENEMY AS WELL.
I THINK WE'LL WRAP THIS THING UP SOONER THAN I THOUGHT.

NOW YOU'VE DONE IT.....
GIRI GGRRR?

I'M ALSO THE KIND OF GIRL...
...WHO GOES RIGHT FOR AN OPENING WHEN I SEE IT.
PAKU (CRUNCH)
ぱくっ
GACHA (CLATCH)
ガチャ!!!

CHAPTER 31
HRAAAH!
GIGHI (CLAMP)
ITA (STOP)
I'LL SHOW YOU WHAT HAP-PENS ...
... WHEN YOU PISS OFF A LION!!
GO
GO
GO
GO (RUMBLE)
OOH!
YOU CAN STOP THE BLEEDING YOURSELF. IMPRES-SIVE!

DON'T RUSH INTO THINGS, LEONE!
BA (WHIP)
KUROME STILL HAS THAT BODY-GUARD!
FIRST GO AND AID AKAME.
AFTER, YOU AND I WILL TAKE ON KUROME TOGETH-ER.
KURU (TURN)
WE'RE BOTH FORMER GEN-ERALS...
I CAN MANAGE ON MY OWN AGAINST AN OP-PONENT WITHOUT A TEIGU.
...ALL RIGHT.
JUST YOU WAIT.
I'M COMING FOR YOU NEXT!

Chapter 31 Kill the Puppets (Part II)

RAJU (BSSHT)
DOGYU (DOOND)

KUH ...!

I CAN'T GET CLOSE ENOUGH BECAUSE OF THAT BODY-GUARD...
BUT IF I JUST KEEP MOVING, THEY'RE SURE TO GIVE ME AN OPENING!

GYUO (WHOOSH)
BASHU (BLAST)
!?
DO
DO
DO
DO (DASH)
DO
HACHU (SWOOM)
GUCHA (KA-CLICK)
SHE'S CIRCLING ME TO FIND A WAY IN.
THEN I'LL GIVE HER A BIG, WIDE OPENING.

ZAZA (SKID)
I'VE GOT THIS!
DO (LUNGE)
PA (WHIP)
!

GAKII (CLANG)
MORE ARMOR ...!
HE'S TAKEN COUNTER-MEA-SURES AGAINST MURA-SAME!!

GOO (WHOOSH)
GACHA (K-CLICK)
THAT'S SOME IM-PRES-SIVE EVA-SION!
PA (WHIP)
PAKI (CRACK)

...LET ME ASK YOU SOME-THING.
AKAME, WHY DID YOU JOIN THE REBEL ARMY?
IT WOULD'VE BEEN SO RE-ASSURING TO HAVE YOU STILL ON OUR SIDE.
(DON (THUMP)
(A CRASH)

BECAUSE MY HEART DECIDED IT WAS THE RIGHT THING TO DO.
I WILL WALK THE PATH THAT I BELIEVE IN.
THAT'S AN UNDER-STAND-ABLE REPLY.
THANK YOU.
BUT...

VUUU (VRRRRR)
...BURNING DOWN THAT CONVICTION...
...IS MY JOB!
(CLANG)
ZLIN (THOOM)
NOT SO FAST!

LET ME JOIN IN!
THAT'LL MAKE IT TWO-ON-TWO.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT THIS.
FOCUS ON THE FIGHT!

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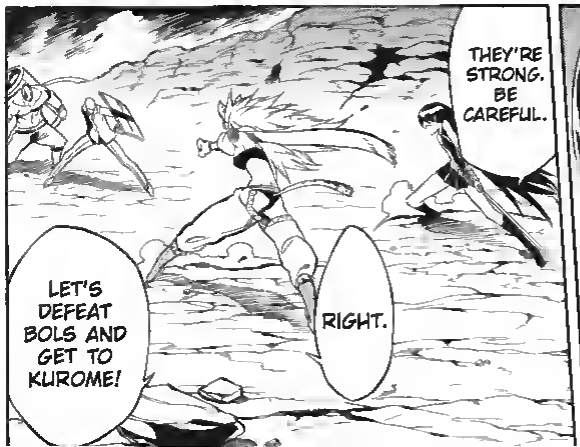
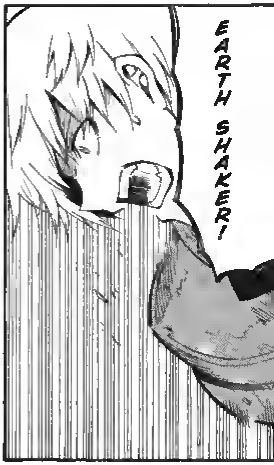

THEY'RE STRONG. BE CAREFUL.
RIGHT.
LET'S DEFEAT BOLS AND GET TO KUROME!

KOKU (NOD)

BECAUSE OF THE INJURIES ESDEATH GAVE ME, MY STRENGTH'S ONLY AT 40 PERCENT RIGHT NOW...
I CAN STILL MOVE FASTER THAN I THOUGHT!
BA
FA (DART)
BA
BA
BA
SHU (SHWIP)
DOGO (BOOM)

(HOP)
(BOKOO (BOOM)


EARTH SHAKER!

I'VE TRAINED SO HARD IN YOUR TECH-NIQUES...

...THAT THEY'RE INGRAINED IN ME!

SHUPII (SWOOSH)

BOGOO (CRUSH)
REEL ASSAULT!
カチッ
KACHI (CLICK)
SHUU (SKID)
SHUUUU (WHOOSH)
BYUOOO (OOOOSH)

ВАКУА СОЛЛИСНО
ДОБА СТНИО
ОКСННКО

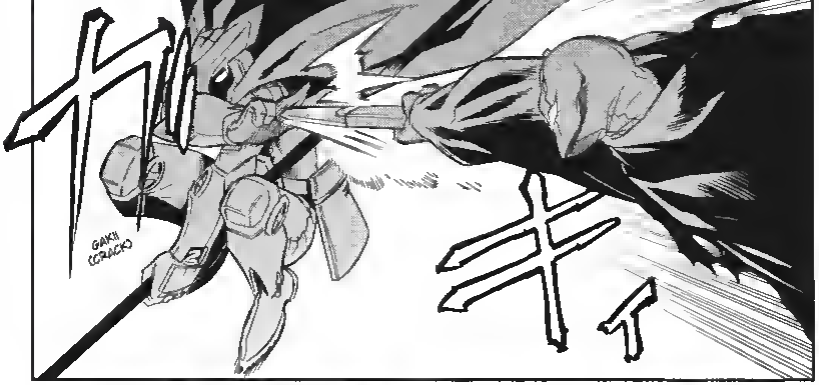
.....!?
ZURI (DRAG)
PIKU (TWITCH)
LET'S GO OUT FOR A DRINK, NAJE
ZU (LOOM)
WHAT ...?
WHAT BLASPHEMY AGAINST HUMANITY IS THAT TEIGU!!?

SO (BAM)
GO (WHAM)

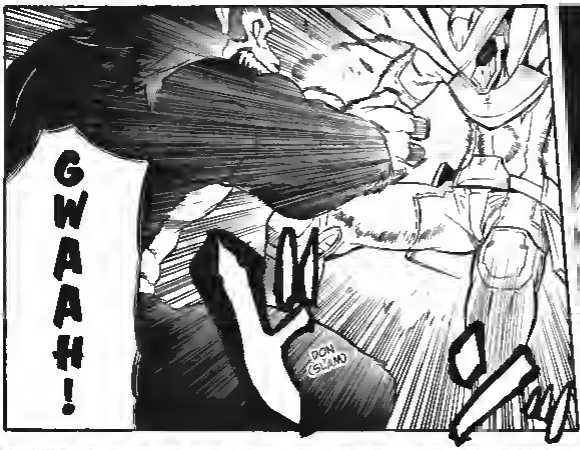
KIIIII (VWEEEEE)
JU (FLASH)
GOAAA (ROOOOAR)
KA (FLASH)
LOOKS LIKE WE'RE BOTH PRETTY STUBBORN.
TA (TAP)
GU (GRUNCH)
SHUUUU (SHHHH)

EVEN DECAYING, IT'S STILL A SUPER CLASS...
YOU'RE NOT WRONG, BUT...
HE REALLY IS GOING TO BE A HANDFUL.
...LOOK, NAJENDA.
SOMETHING ABOUT THAT PART SEEMS ODD TO ME.
IT'S ASYM-METRICAL WITH THE OPPOSITE SIDE.
I WAS SO DIS-TRACTED BY IT, I GOT HIT BY HIS LAST ATTACK.
...
YOU...
AFTER HOW COOL YOU WERE COMING OFF IN THE LAST CHAPTER, YOU'D LET THAT HAPPEN?
IF SOMEBODY DOESN'T REACH KUROME SOON, WE'LL ONLY SUFFER MORE CASUALTIES.
...SO HERE AND NOW...

SUSANOO!
AS YOUR MASTER...
...I GRANT YOU PERMISSION TO UTILIZE YOUR TRUMP CARD.
UNDER-STOOD.
TAKE THIS, YOU DIRTY APE!!


GAKI! (CRACK)
キィ

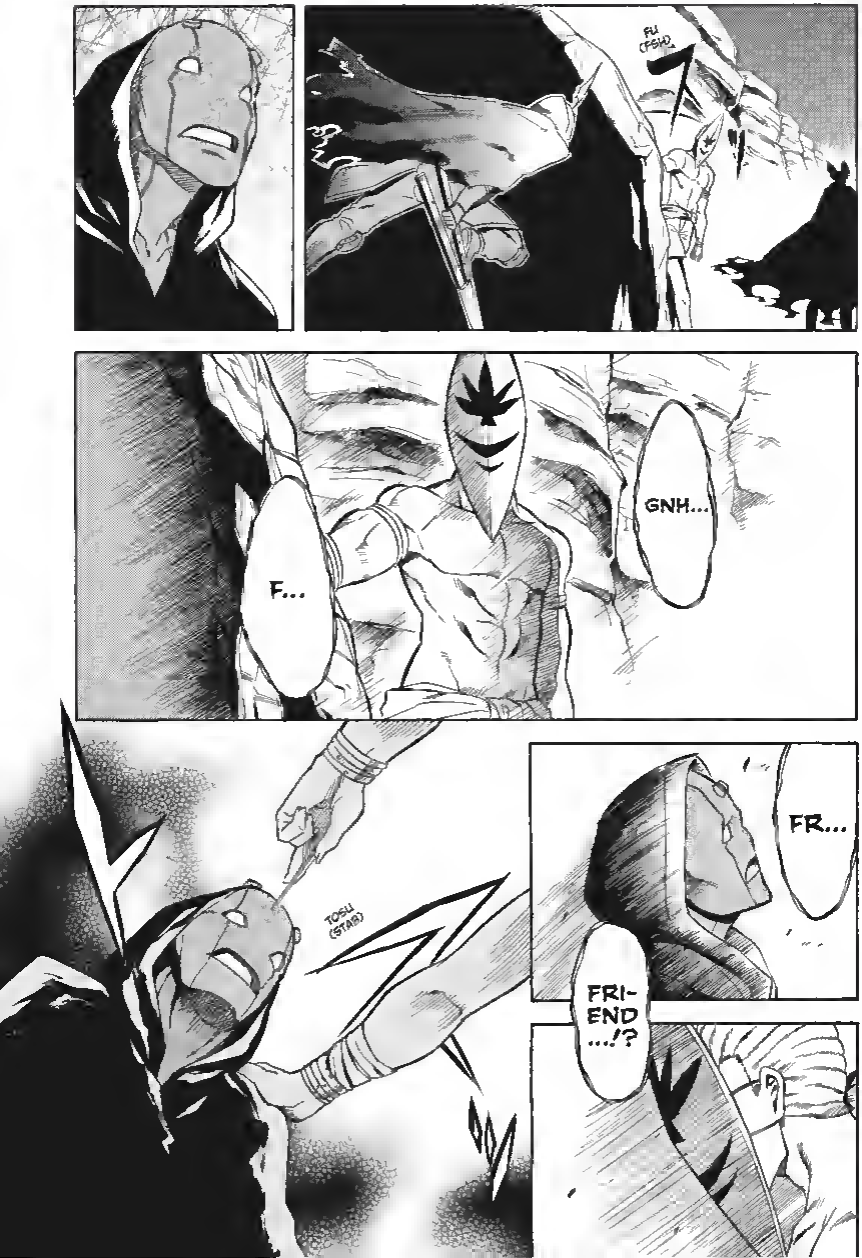
NOT HIM AGAIN!
...!


GWAAH!
DON (SLAM)

BIRI (RATTLE)
BIRI
GNH ...!

KIIIII (VWEEEE)
I HAVE TO STOP AT LEAST ONE OF THEM FROM ATTACKING ...!
THEIR TWO-PRONGED ATTACK IS BAD NEWS FOR ME.
ZA (SKID)
BYU (WHOOSH)
BA (CLEAR)
IF IT'S YOU ALONE...

PA
PA
PA

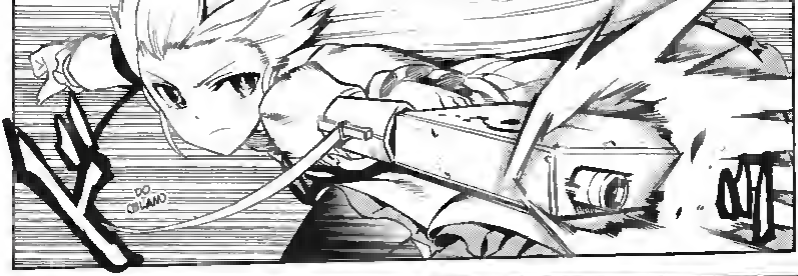

FU (FSH)...
GNH...
F...
FR...
FRI-END...!?
TOSU (STAB)

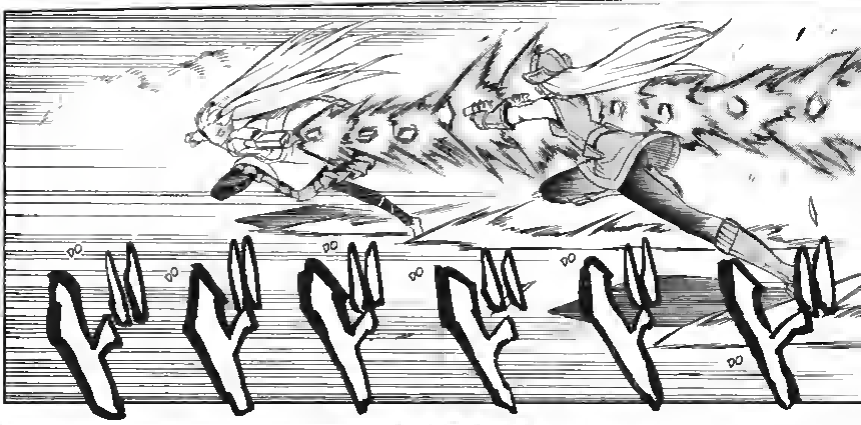
ALL THAT'S LEFT IS INGRAINED HABITS AND STRONG FEELINGS.
THE CORPSE PUPPETS CONTROLLED BY YATSUFUSA HAVE NO WILL OF THEIR OWN AND DON'T SPEAK CLEARLY.
AKAME WAS RIGHT.
UN-FORTU-NATELY ...
...I'M NOT ONE OF YOUR FALLEN FRIENDS.
JAN (SLASH)
UWAAAAH!
GH...
NGH!

NICE ONE.
HE PROBABLY WON'T BE GOING ANY-WHERE NOW.
GU (CLENCH)
YOU SAVED ME, CHELSEA!
I'M LEAVING THAT MONKEY TO YOU, TATSU-MI!!
HUH !?
OH YEAH !!
MUKU (RIBS)
DA (DASH)
I DON'T THINK I CAN CALL SHEELE AND BULAT FAILURES AS ASSASSINS ANYMORE.
TA TA TA
TA TA
TA (TMP)
...STILL, THAT WAS A PRETTY DARING STRATEGY, EVEN FOR US...
...I'LL MAKE HIM TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAKING ME FEEL THIS WAY L TER.
SHW

NOW THAT I'VE HELPED OUT MY TEAM-MATE ...
...IT'S TIME TO GO AFTER THE MAIN COURSE.
...HMMM...
PAKU CHUNCHU ぱく
PAKU ぱく
THE TIME I TAKE BETWEEN SNACKS HAS GOTTEN SHORTER LATELY...
GYAHAHA
I WONDER IF WAVE IS STILL ALIVE AFTER HAVING BEEN THROWN SO FAR AWAY.
STILL...

...!?
... HE'S A STUB-BORN ONE.
I'M SURE HE'S STILL ALIVE.
HUH!?
FIRST ROKUGOU WAS RENDERED IMMOBILE, AND NOW HENTER?
I THINK THE EIGHTH WILL BE ON THE MOVE SOON.
GUESS I'LL ATTACK TOO.
CHA CHAO
OH WELL.


DO
OHLAND


DO
DO
DO
DO
DO
DO
DO

DO
DO

DOTA
(THUD)

NU (LOOM)
I'M A MASTER AT SHOOTING!
CHA (CHAK)
...YOU PICKED THE WRONG PERSON TO FIGHT.
YOU'RE PRETTY GOOD, BUT...
TA (TAP)
!?
JU JU (SLURP)
DUN
OH.
HE'S ALREADY ATTACKING.

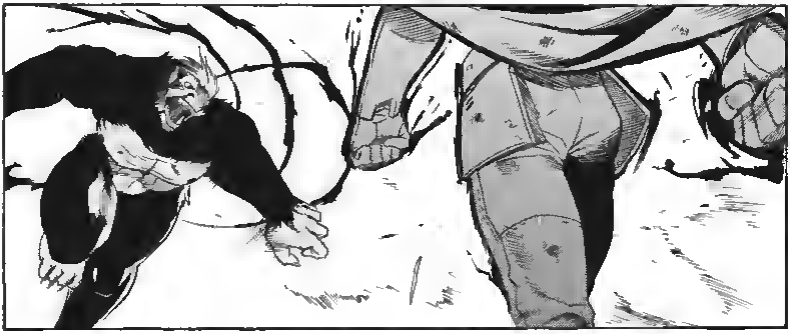
HE'S OUR NEWEST MEMBER, KAISER FROG.
HE'S A DANGEROUS FROG WITH GASTRIC ACID IN HIS GUT THAT CAN MELT ANYTHING.
I HEARD FROM SERYU...
...THAT YOUR PARTNER WAS EATEN BY CORO, IS THAT RIGHT?
HAMU (CHOMP)
JURU (SLURP)
S...
STOP IT!
JURU

I GUESS ...
...YOU'LL BE MEETING THE SAME FATE AS A TEAM TOO.
I... I WON'T LET IT END HERE! I WON'T LET MY-SELF DIE... NOT LIKE THIS!

BAKLIN (CHOMP)
BYE-BYE.
THE END ALWAYS COMES TOO SOON.
DON (BOOM)
NADE (PET)
NADE
FIRST ONE DOWN.
NOW...
...DO THE SAME WITH ALL THE REST...

BAKI (SWING)
TA (TMP)
SHUUUUU (FSSSHH)
COME ON.
DON'T GIVE UP, MR. MONKEY.
HUH?

MUKU (RISE)
BA LUNGE
WHAT A DISGUSTING TEIGU...
ABUSING THE DEAD LIKE OVER-WORKED DOLLS...
... KUROME.
DON'T THINK I'LL GO EASY ON YOU JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE AKAME'S LITTLE SISTER ...



NOW SLEEP.

DOGO
CRUSH!

TA (TMP)
I'VE GOT YOU NOW, KUROME.
OOH...
WELL DONE.
GACHA (SND)
BUT ...
...NATALA'S TEN TIMES STRONGER THAN THAT MONKEY, SEE?

DO DO DO
DO DO DO
DO
(GALLOP)

SERYU, DON'T OVEREXERT YOURSELF UNTIL WE ENCOUNTER THE ENEMY.
O... OKAY!
... UM ...
WHAT IS IT?

I HEARD (FROM WAVE) THAT YOUR HEART MIGHT BE AT RISK.
SO I'M MAKING IT A POINT TO ACCOMPANY YOU AS MUCH AS I CAN.
DO
DO
DO
DO
DO
DO YOU FEEL I'M LACKING IN SOME WAY?
AND YOU PUT ME ON YOUR TEAM FOR THIS MISSION TOO...
YOU'VE BEEN LOOKING OUT FOR ME AN AWFUL LOT LATELY, COMMANDER.

!
?
PAAAA (GLOOOW)
SO DON'T YOU FORGET IT, SERYU.
.....HEH. IN ANY CASE, I TOLD YOU I'D TAKE CARE OF YOU.
THANK YOU SO MUCH, COMMANDER!
AH!
DO
.....BUT STILL, WE SHOULD HAVE CAUGHT UP TO THEM BY NOW.
IT CERTAINLY IS A BIT STRANGE.
IT'S JUST ODD.
SHALL I USE MY TEIGU TO SEARCH FROM THE SKY?
YOU CAN'T FLY FOR VERY LONG, LIKE MY PET (DRAGON), RIGHT?
SAVE IT FOR WHEN THE ENEMY ATTACKS!
SA (SKID)

IT'S POSSIBLE THIS WAS ALL A RUSE AND THEY'RE ACTUALLY FOCUSING ON KUROME'S TEAM.
WE SHOULD GO BACK AND SEE IF WE CAN CATCH THEM.

CHAPTER 32
!
HERE COMES A BIG ONE!
USE YOUR TRUMP CARD TO FINISH HIM OFF SO WE CAN TURN THIS SITUATION AROUND!
EVERY-ONE'S FIGHTING A HARD FIGHT!
GO!
YOU GLOW!
MAGA-TAMA MANIFES-TATION.

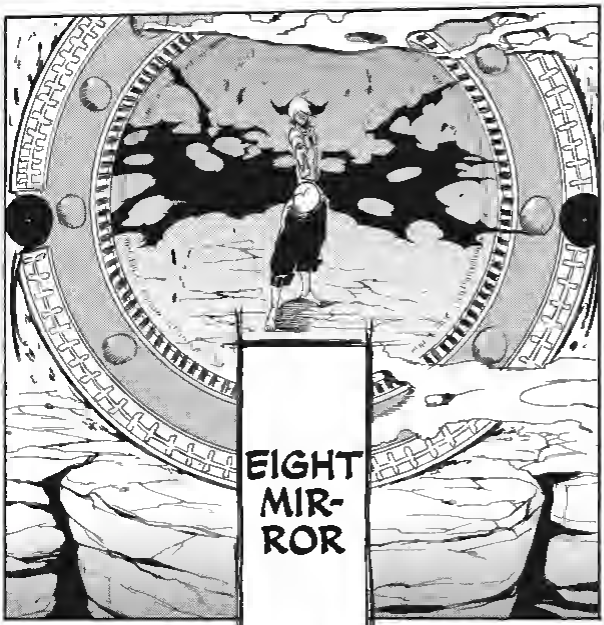
(WHOOOOSH)
SUSANOO'S TRUMP CARD IS A BOOST TO HIS STRENGTH, LIKE CORO'S
CORO USES A MASSIVE AMOUNT OF INTERNAL ENERGY FOR HIS, BUT SUSANOO...
...DRAWS FROM HIS MASTER'S LIFE FORCE WITH THE MAGATAMA ON HIS CHEST...
...TO AMPLIFY HIS POWER.

IF USED THREE TIMES, HIS MASTER'S DEATH IS THE INEVITABLE COST...IN EXCHANGE FOR...
...GAINING...
...THIS IMMENSE POWER.

Chapter 32 KILL THE CURSE

KIIII (SCREECH)
GO (WOOSH)
DO
DO
DO
DO
DO
DO
(WHAM)
NZ (WOOSH)
(WHAM)

DO
DO
DO
DO (WHAM)


EIGHT MIR-ROR

SHUU (FSHW)

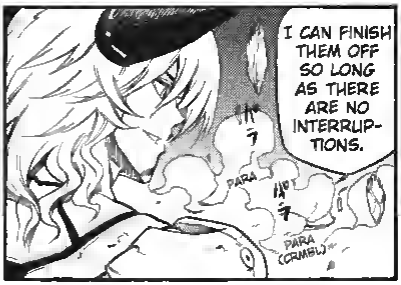
THE PERFECT REFLECTION OF ANY PROJECTILES.
JUST THE KIND OF ABILITY I'D EXPECT FROM A TRUMP CARD!

DON (SHWOOM)
HU (TENSE)
HH
DO
GA (GRAB)
KHH (WHEEE)
BAÑA (CRACK)

ZAN
(SLICE)
CLOUDS
OF
HEAVEN

DOOOOON
DROOOOND
JUST AS I'D EXPECT FROM THE TRUMP CARD OF MY TEIGU.
TALK ABOUT UNDISPUTED ATTACK POWER ...

PARA
I WOULDN'T WORRY ABOUT THAT.
WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO CONTINUE UNDISTURBED.


I CAN FINISH THEM OFF SO LONG AS THERE ARE NO INTERRUPTIONS.
PARA
PARA (CRUMBL)

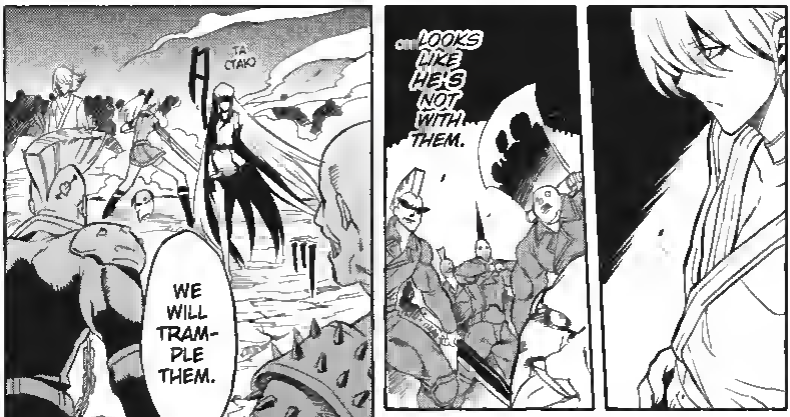
WHERE'D THESE GUYS COME FROM ALL OF A SUDDEN ...!?
IS THIS A NIGHT RAID AMBUSH !?

I'VE PUT PREPARATIONS IN PLACE.

HYA-HA! SHE'S AS BIG A BABE AS THE RUMORS SAID!
GIVE ME SOME A THAT!
THAT INFORMATION WAS RIGHT. A SMALL BAND OF THEM CAME THROUGH THIS HIGHWAY PASS...
IT'S GENERAL ESDEATH.
DON'T TRY TO TAKE 'EM ON ONE-ON-ONE.
WE'LL OVER-COME THEM BY SHEER NUM-BERS.
GUH! HEH! HEH! HEH!
HEH! HEH! HEH! HEH!
I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO WHAT COMES AFTER.
WE'LL TAKE OUR SWEET TIME STRIPPING HER DOWN AND THEN GET HER GOOD AND WET!

SO THEY'RE WITH THE VILLAINOUS NIGHT RAID!
I DON'T THINK THIS IS JUST A RANDOM COINCI-DENCE.
THIS IS A BAND OF THIEVES WHOSE TERRITORY IS TO THE EAST OF THE EMPIRE

WHAT IS IT, RUN?
...NOTH-ING.


TA CYAKO
WE WILL TRAM-PLE THEM.
OH LOOKS LIKE HE'S NOT WITH THEM.

LEAVE TWO OR THREE OF THEM IMMOBI-LIZED BUT ALIVE.
I HAVE SOMETHING I WANT TO ASK THEM.
DO (CHA-DO)
...NNH...
UNH...

THAT WAS ONE MEAN PUNCH.
IF I HADN'T BLOCKED IT WITH GRAND CHARIOT'S SWORD...
...I'D BE A GONER ...!
TO (THUD)
BAKA (POP)
GUWAN (DEAD)
UUNGH!!
I HAVE TO GET GOING... AND FAST.
BOLS AND KUROME NEED ME...

GO (THUD)
...THERE'S SOMETHING A LITTLE SPACEY AND DUMB ABOUT HER.
FUJI (STAGGER)
FUJIA
SHE'S... STRONG, BUT...

HOW FAR DID HE SEND ME FLYING ...!?

I'VE GOT TO CATCH UP TO THEM...
HAAH!
HAAH!
SHIT!

GA (LE...?)
GAKI (CLANG)
BAKII (KRSHNG)
ACTUALLY, HE MAY BE EVEN A LITTLE STRONGER...
HE'S ON PAR WITH ME, AND I'VE GOT THE TEIGU INCURSION...!
GA
GA
GA

I CAN SEE NOW HOW HE'D BE WITH THE ASSASSIN UNIT TAKAME USED TO BE A PART OF...!
GO RUMBLE
HE'S THE REAL DEAL!!
GO
TA (TMD)
GUH...
GAH... GOH?
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
NATALA'S IN GOOD FORM.
!?
DOKOKO GRUUOE

BUT THE ACID IN YOUR STOMACH SHOULD BE POWERFUL ENOUGH TO...
DO
DO
DO
DO
DO (BOOM)
.....!
YOU'RE BEING ATTACKED FROM THE INSIDE!?
DA (DASH)
SINCE YOU'RE STILL NEW, I DIDN'T NOTICE IT WAS LEAKING OUT OF YOUR WOUND
JOWAAA (GUSHING)
THAT RENDERS IT PRETTY USELESS, HUH?
...OH.
DORO (GLORP)
BACHU (BLAST)
!

ずるっ
ZURUU (SLIP)
ガチャ…
GUCHA… (SHUDDER)
……
ネチョ
NECHO (STICKY)
THAT WAS THE WORST EXPERI-ENCE OF MY LIFE!!

GRR!
THAT WAS SUCH A PAIN!
HUH!?
HELP ME OUT AL-READY!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN THERE?
GACHA (CLICK)
BA (LEAP)
!!
DOOOO (RUMBLE)

WHOA, WHAT WAS THAT!?
SU-SAN, YOU'RE INCREDI-BLE!!
ZA
ZA (SHIO)
!
ZASHI (SLASH)
SHUBI (SWISH)

...
KUROME'S GETTING HER STRENGTH BACK...
WITH FEWER PUPPETS TO MANAGE...
SHUUUU (FSHHH)
ZU (GEETAE)
TA CHAO
ZU
ZU
ZU
FOCUS YOUR ENERGY IF YOU WANT TO BRING ME DOWN!
OTHER-WISE I'LL TURN YOU INTO MY NEWEST SKELETON PUPPET!

HERE I COME!
DA (DASH)
!?
THERE'S NO PLACE TO RUN IN THE AIR!

GU (GUARD)
GO, AKA-ME!!
BA (WHIP)
GOOOO (WHOOSH)
DO (THUD)
!
BEFORE I CAN SHOOT AGAIN ...!?
IF THAT BODY-GUARD'S GOING TO GET IN MY WAY EVERY TIME...

PA
(SLASH)
PA
PA
...I'LL TARGET HIM FIRST AND TAKE HIM OUT OF THE PICTURE, EVEN IF IT TAKES LONGER.
GO
(WHOOSH)
BA
DA
(CRASH)
KUH!

GU-
(STRAIN)
YOU'RE TOO FOCUSED ON AKAME!
YOUR BODY-GUARD CAN'T DO ANYTHING NOW!
YOU'RE MINE!
DOSU
(STAB)

SHUUUU (FSSHHH)
WHA ...!?
A HIDDEN HAR-POON!?
MY ARM ...!
!
AAOOO
GUBA (LURCH)

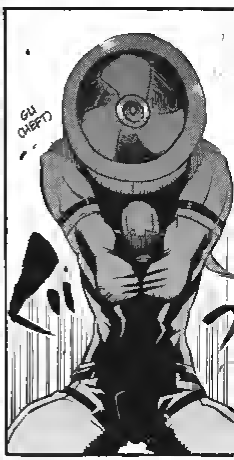
BAKI (CRACK)
GA (CLAMP)
ZA
ZA (SKID)
AH!

I CAN'T EAT THAT.
PE (PTOO)
YOU BIT OFF MY TEIGU...
ZASHU (SLASH)
NOW YOUR TEIGU...
JIRI (SKUFF)
...IS UNUSABLE, ISN'T IT?
SHE'S RIGHT
MY TEIGU'S BUSTED NOW.

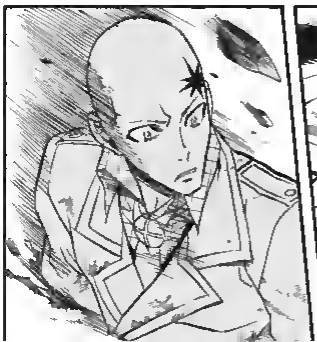
I'M GOING TO INVOKE MY TRUMP CARD!!
!?
IN THAT CASE!

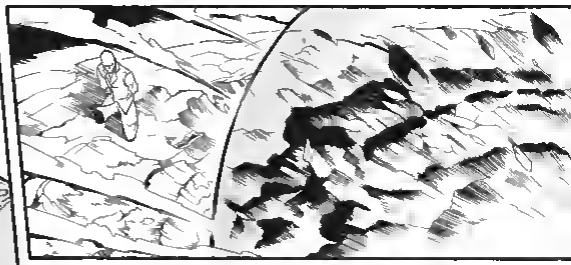
MY TRUMP CARD IS MAGMA DRIVE, SO IT'S JUST A BLUFF!
BUT WHILE THEY'RE ON THEIR GUARD...

I'LL DESTROY YOU.


GU (HEP!)

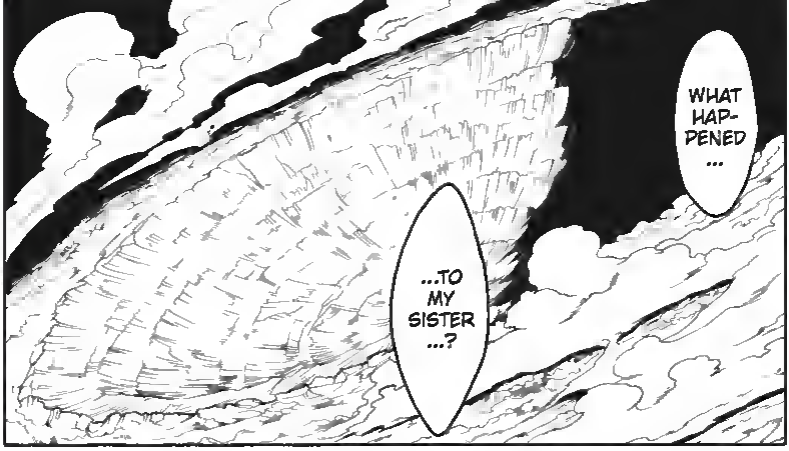
BUN (FLING)
KA (FLASH)
KACHI (CLICK)
WAIT, DON'T TELL ME...

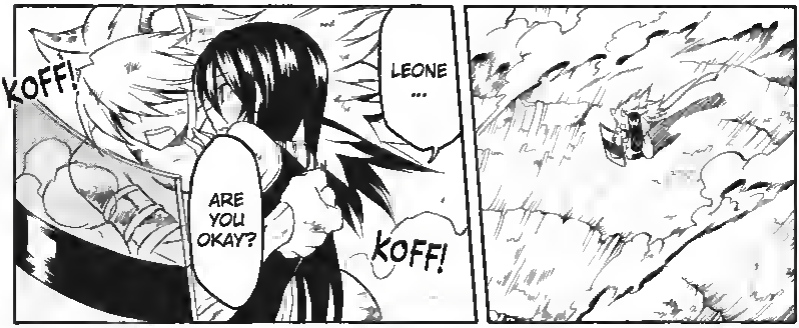


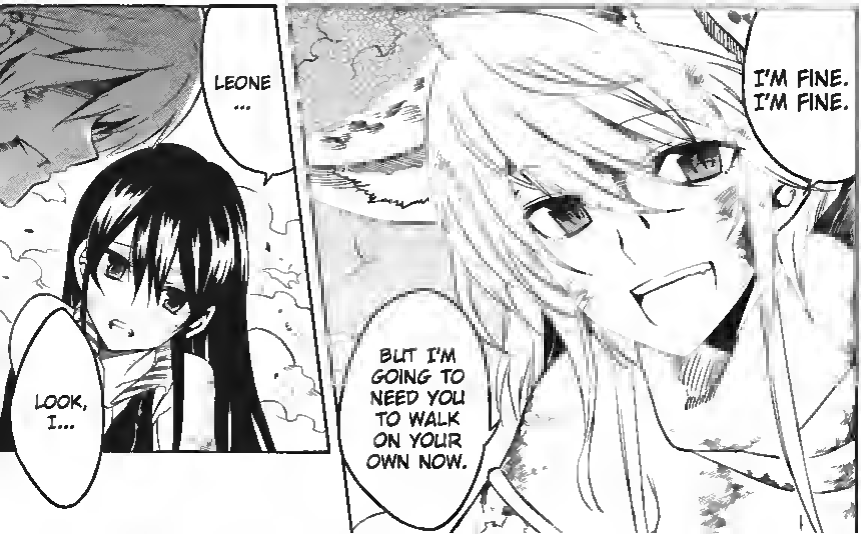


GOOOOOO...
(WHOOOOOM)
!
WHAT THE ...!?
WHAT WAS THAT EXPLO-SION!?
KUROME'S GONE.....

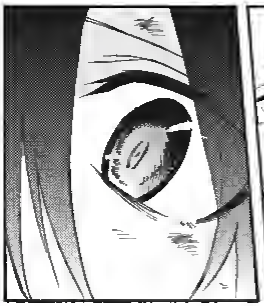
THAT EXPLOSION JUST NOW...
...WAS RUBICANTE SELF-DESTRUCTING...
GUUU CLOOOOM
TA CTAK
IF EVEN BOLS HAS BEEN TAKEN OUT...
...THEN IT'LL BE HARD FOR ME TO STAY HERE...
...KUH! I'M ALREADY OUT...
GRRR

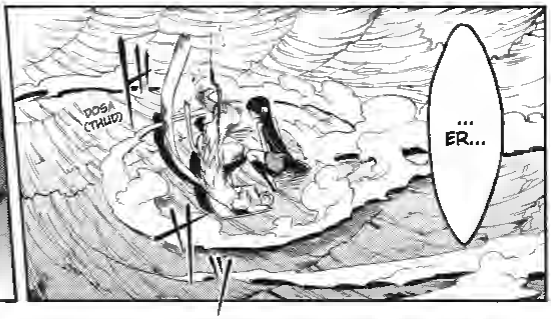

WHAT HAP-PENED ...
...TO MY SISTER ...?


KOFF!
ARE YOU OKAY?
LEONE ...
KOFF!


LEONE ...
LOOK, I...
I'M FINE. I'M FINE.
BUT I'M GOING TO NEED YOU TO WALK ON YOUR OWN NOW.

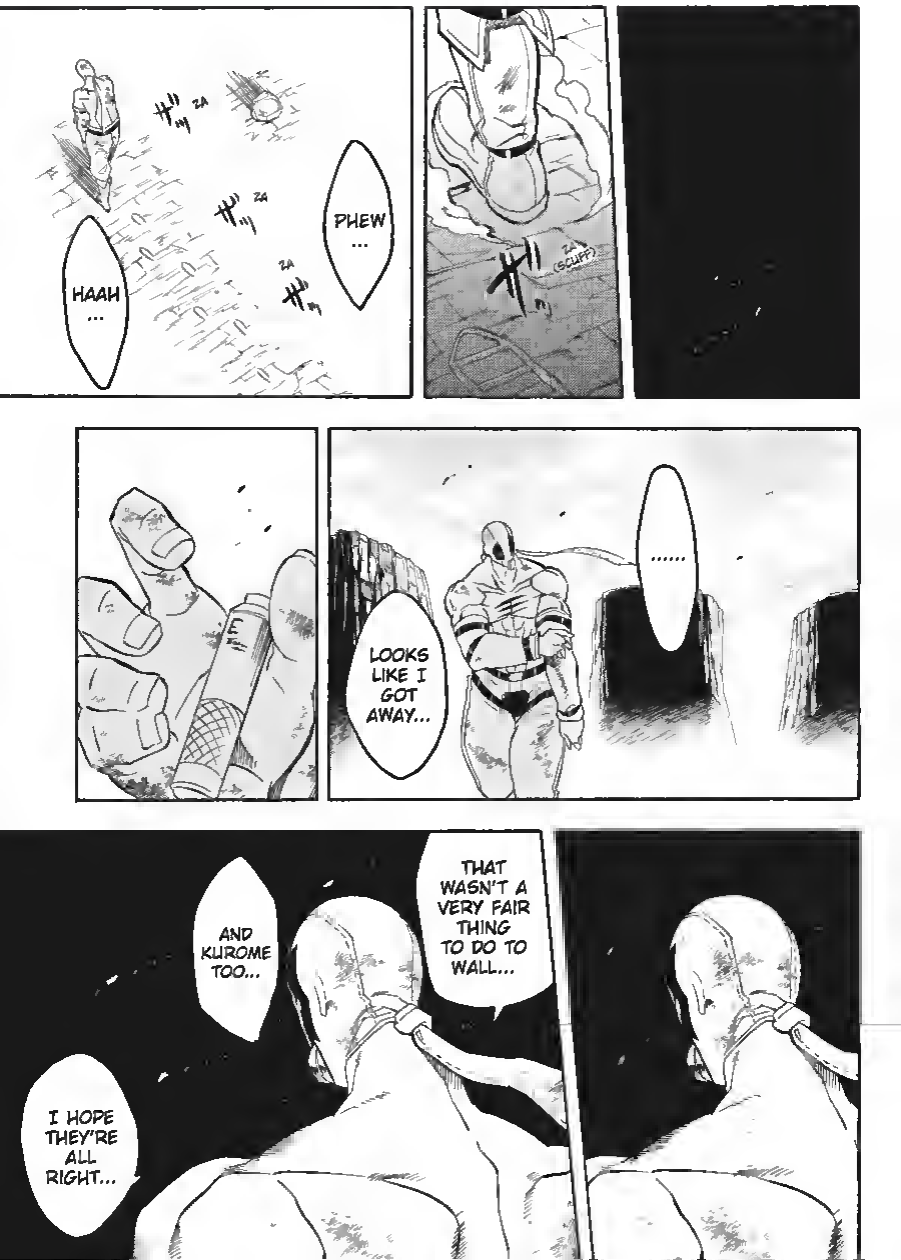
I'VE GOT FAITH...
...IN MY ABILITY TO RECOV...

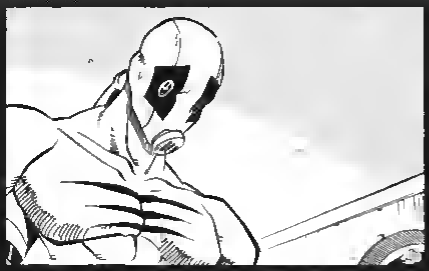



DOSA (THUD)
... ER...

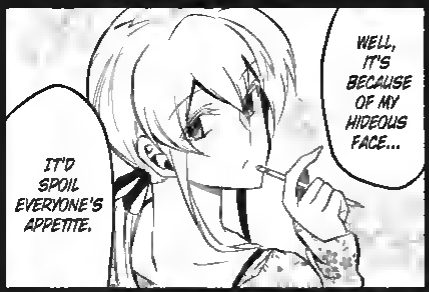
LEONE!!

.....
LEONE ?


HAAH ...
PHEW ...
ZA
ZA
ZA
ZA (SCUFF)
LOOKS LIKE I GOT AWAY...
.....
THAT WASN'T A VERY FAIR THING TO DO TO WALL...
AND KUROME TOO...
I HOPE THEY'RE ALL RIGHT...



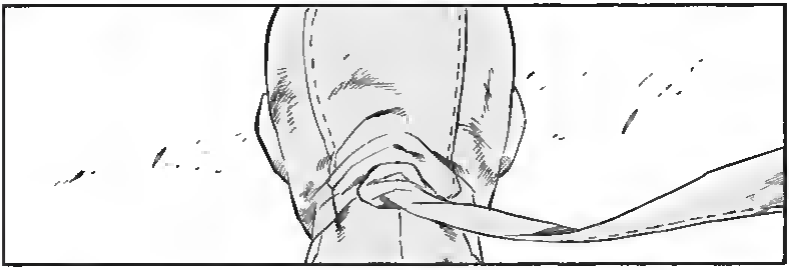
HEY, BOLS?
HOW COME YOU ALWAYS MAKE DINNER BUT THEN NEVER COME EAT WITH US?


WELL, IT'S BECAUSE OF MY HIDEOUS FACE...
IT'D SPOIL EVERYONE'S APPETITE.

OH-HO...

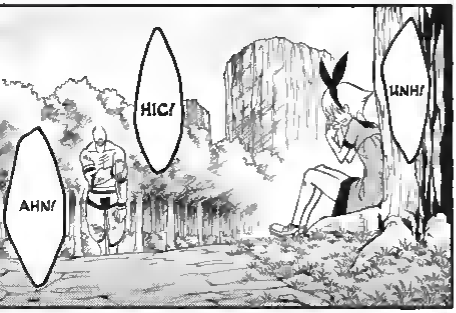
TA
TA
TA
TA (TAK)
SO YOU DON'T WANT TO SHOW YOUR FACE.
THAT MAKES ME WANT TO SEE IT EVEN MORE.
SU (SSK)
WAIT...
COM-MANDER? DON'T...!
SHURU (SHWIPP)
COME ON, IT'S NOT THAT BAD...
HUH ...?
I'M DISAP-POINTED, BOLS.

NOW GO EAT WITH EVERYONE.
NOBODY'S GOING TO MIND YOUR FACE.



...NH!
GUU

...I HOPE ...
...I GET TO...
...EAT WITH EVERY-ONE AGAIN ...


HIC!
UNH!
AHN!

OH DEAR!
THIS WON'T DO!
WHAT'S THE MATTER!
UWAAAAH! MONSTEEER!!
EEEK!
OH!
I'M NOT A MON-STER!
IT'S ALL RIGHT. IT'S OKAY!
PIN (STRETCH)
WAAAAAH!?
JITA (FLAIL)
BATA (KICK)
したばた
IT'S OKAY, JUST STAY STILL!
I SEE YOU'RE HURT.

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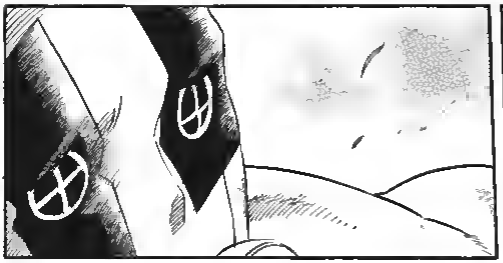
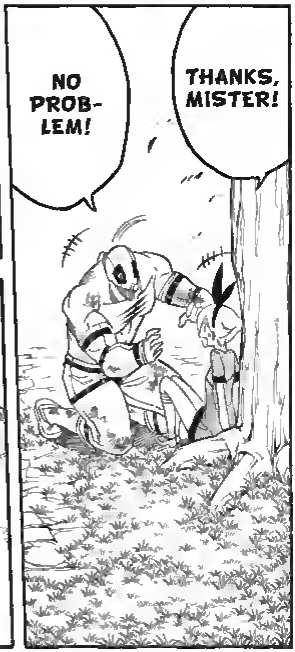
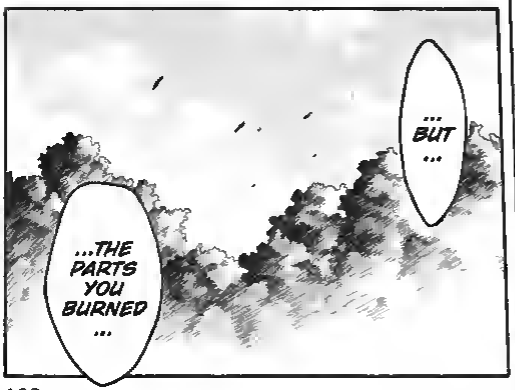
CRUSHD
YOU'RE GOING TO BE FINE!
THE PAIN WILL GO AWAY SOON.
IT'LL BE ALL BETTER!

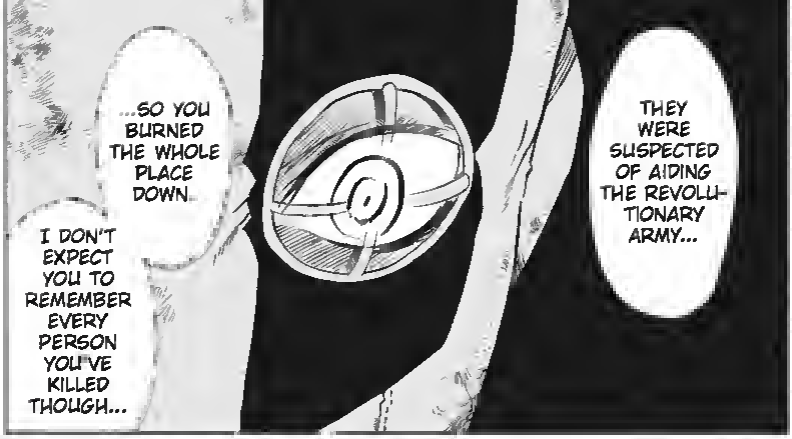



THANKS, MISTER!
NO PROB-LEM!


...BUT ...
...THE PARTS YOU BURNED ...

...WILL NEVER HEAL.

...HUH?
THAT GIRL JUST NOW...
...WAS A CHILD FROM A VILLAGE YOU BURNED DOWN.


THEY WERE SUSPECTED OF AIDING THE REVOLUTIONARY ARMY...
...SO YOU BURNED THE WHOLE PLACE DOWN.
I DON'T EXPECT YOU TO REMEMBER EVERY PERSON YOU'VE KILLED THOUGH...

NUCHO (SNIFF)
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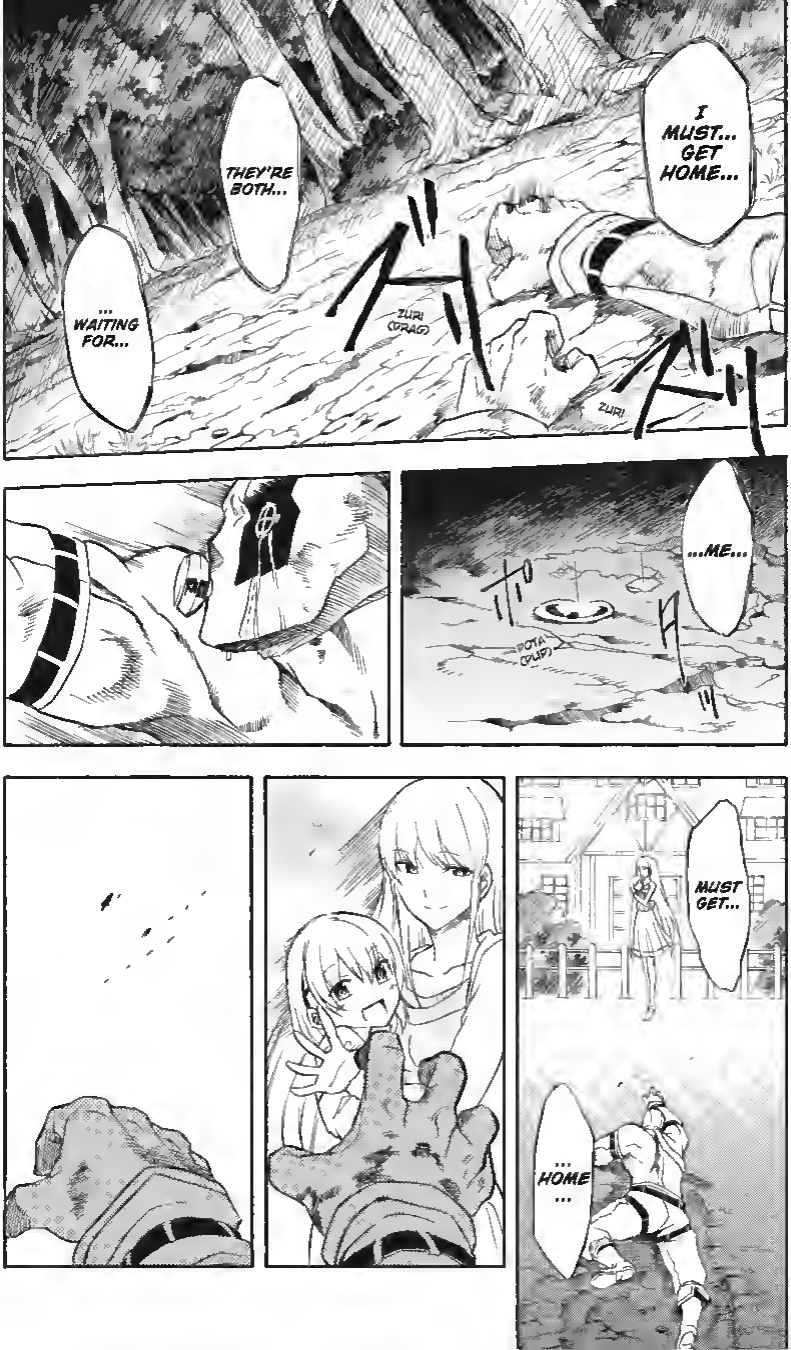
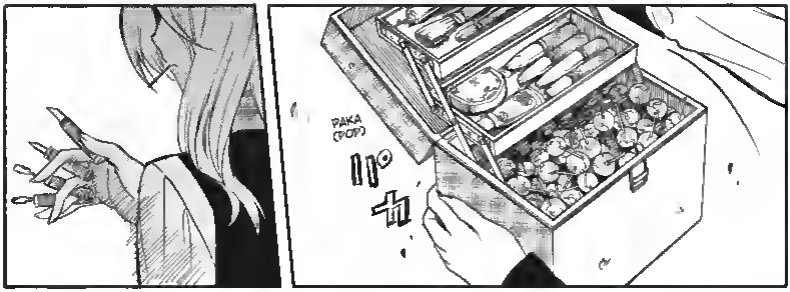
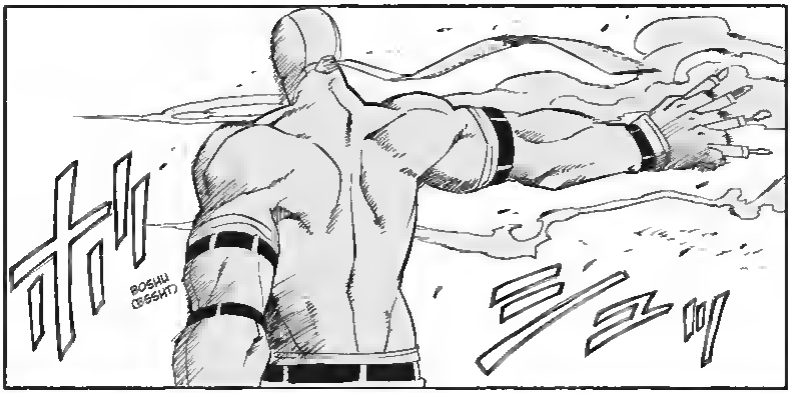
I ALWAYS KNEW...

...WHEN I HAD TO PAY FOR MY SINS...
...THE DAY WOULD COME...
BUT...
BUT STILL ...!!!


I MUST... GET HOME...
THEY'RE BOTH...
... WAITING FOR...
ZURI (DRAG)
ZURI
...ME...
POTA (DUF)
MUST GET...
... HOME ...

...HON-
ESTLY.
SHOWDOWNS BETWEEN PEOPLE WHO WORK IN THE SHADOWS... ARE NAUSEATING...

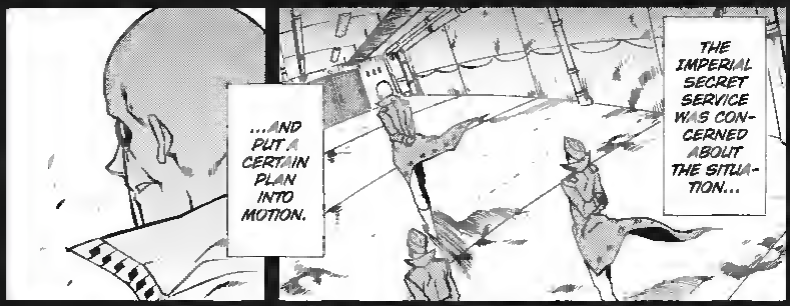

PAKA (POP)


BOSHU (ESSHT)

NEXT IS KUROME!

I'LL FINISH HER OFF BEFORE SHE CAN RECONVENE WITH ESDEATH.
THE JAEGERS ...
...ARE DOWN TO FIVE.

THE GREAT EMPIRE, WHICH HAD LASTED FOR 1,000 YEARS...
...WAS ON THE DECLINE DUE TO CORRUPTION AT ITS CORE.


THE IMPERIAL SECRET SERVICE WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THE SITUATION...
...AND PUT A CERTAIN PLAN INTO MOTION.

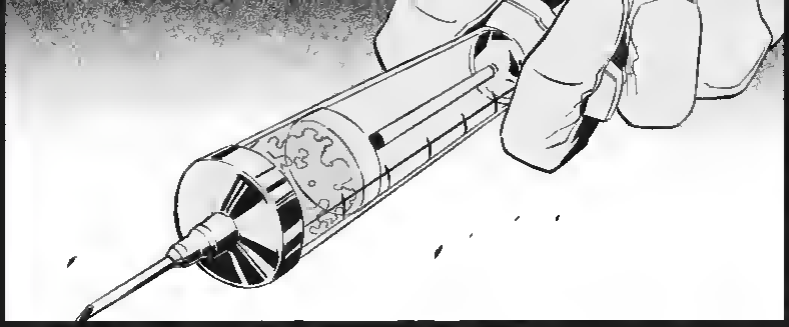
ONE HUNDRED INNOCENT CHILDREN WERE PURCHASED AND TRAINED IN MILITARY ARTS...
...AND RAISED AS PAWNS TO ADDRESS ANY DISSENT BEFORE IT TOOK ROOT.
GII
GREAKO

IT WAS A GOVERNMENT SPECIAL SERVICE ORGANIZATION.
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE "ASSASSIN UNIT."
FIRST, THE HUNDRED CHILDREN WERE TESTED TO ASSESS THEIR POTENTIAL.

A SELECT TEAM OF SEVEN...
...WAS SPLIT OFF FROM THE REST.

THESE ELITE SEVEN WERE MOVED TO A REMOTE REGION...
...AND CULTIVATED INTO TOP-NOTCH ASSAS-SINS.

THE VAST MAJOR-ITY...
...WHO WERE NOT DEEMED QUALIFIED ENOUGH...



...WERE KEPT IN THE EMPIRE AT AN UNDER-GROUND FACILITY ...

...AND GIVEN MASSIVE DOSES OF DRUGS TO FORCIBLY INCREASE THEIR ABILITIES.

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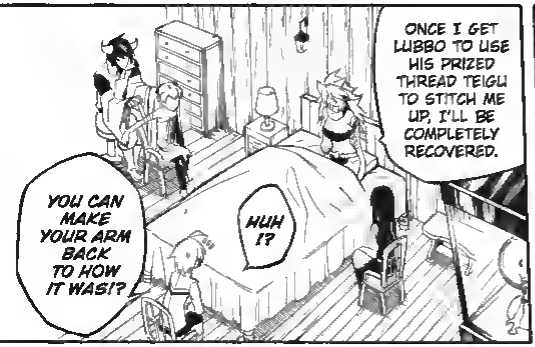
I'M GLAD YOU CAME SO QUICKLY TO HELP ME OUT.
WHEN I WAS WATCHING FROM A DISTANCE AND SAW TWO BOLS FOR A SECOND THERE, I PANICKED
SWEET! YOU WERE ABLE TO DISPOSE OF YOUR TARGET WITHOUT LETTING HIM GET AWAY?
TYPICAL CHELSEA.
I'M GOING TO GO AFTER KUROME NOW.
I WANT TO DISPOSE OF HER BEFORE SHE REJOINS WITH ESDEATH AND HER TEAM.
!?
.....
KUROME'S ALREADY LEFT THE CONFINES OF MY BARRIER, BUT I KNOW WHICH WAY SHE WENT.
YOU COULD STILL FOLLOW HER, BUT...
...IT'LL BE DANGER-OUS, YOU KNOW!?
SHE ISN'T SOMEONE YOU SHOULD TACKLE ON YOUR OWN.
LET'S MEET UP WITH EVERY-ONE FIRST!

IT'D BE TOO LATE THEN...
IF WE LET KUROME GO NOW, SHE'LL COME BACK WITH EIGHT NEW PUPPETS TO ATTACK US WITH.
THAT WOULD BE FAR MORE DANGEROUS FOR US!
...FINE.
I WON'T.
JUST DON'T DO ANYTHING CRAZY...
IF SHE'S ALREADY REJOINED ESDEATH AND THE OTHERS, THEN I'LL TURN RIGHT BACK AROUND
YOU GO BACK AND TELL EVERYONE THAT.
THEN HAVE THEM DISPATCH TWO COMBAT-TYPE REINFORCE-MENTS.
I'LL HAVE REIN-FORCE-MENTS YOUR WAY IN NO TIME!
TA (CRASH)
THANK YOU!

...I REALLY AM...
... BECOMING A BIG SOFTY...
BUT IT'LL BE DANGEROUS, YOU KNOW!? SHE ISN'T SOMEONE YOU SHOULD TACKLE ON YOUR OWN.
LET'S MEET UP WITH EVERYONE FIRST!
NOW FOR MY SECOND TASK .....!
LET'S DO THIS THING!
PAN (SMACK)

UUGH, HURRY UP. I WANT TO CHANGE INTO MY SPARE OUTFIT.
AFTER I'M DONE TREATING YOU.

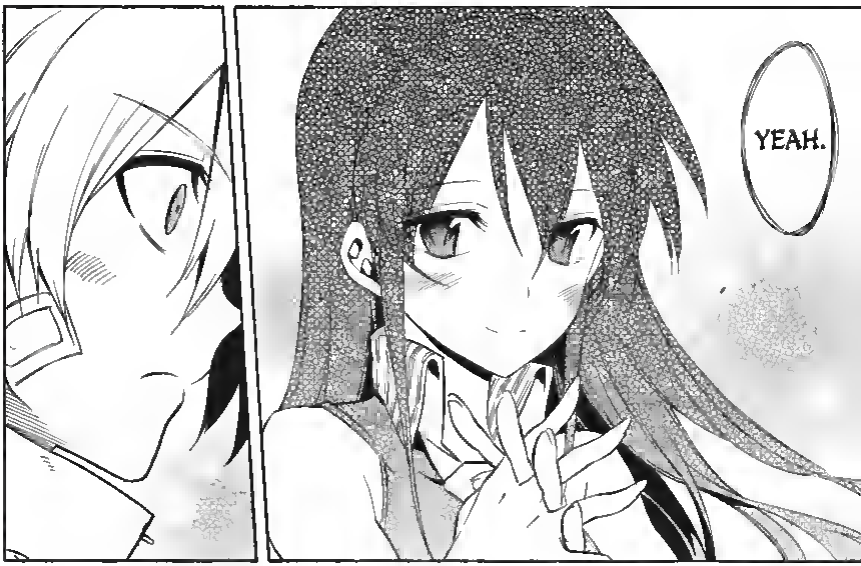
KURU (WRAP)
KURU


ONCE I GET LUBBO TO USE HIS PRIZED THREAD TEIGU TO STITCH ME UP, I'LL BE COMPLETELY RECOVERED.
HUH!?
YOU CAN MAKE YOUR ARM BACK TO HOW IT WAS!?

LEONE, HOW ARE YOUR INJURIES ...?
OH, THEY'RE ALMOST BACK TO NORMAL AGAIN!

LUBBO AND I ENJOY A SPECIAL COLLAB-ORATION.
PI (JAB)
NORMALLY, IT WOULDN'T HEAL.

THOUGH SUSA-NOO CAN RECOVER INSTANT-LY!!
IT'S PRETTY IMPRES-SIVE.
YEAH, YEAH, GOOD FOR YOU.
RAA
THIS HEALING ABILITY IS LIONELLE'S TRUMP CARD.
WRR
REGEN-ERATOR !!
BUT IF YOU CAN GET YOUR ARM BACK...
...THEN THAT'S GOOD NEWS, RIGHT, AKAME!?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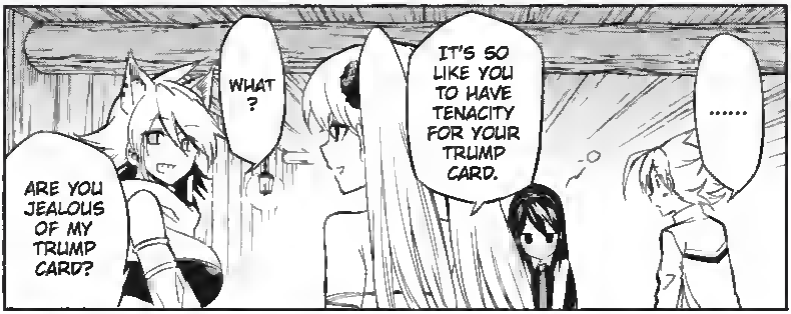
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IT'S SO LIKE YOU TO HAVE TENACITY FOR YOUR TRUMP CARD.
WHAT ?
ARE YOU JEALOUS OF MY TRUMP CARD?

HMPH.
GACHA (CLICK)
PUMPKIN DOESN'T NEED SOME SILLY THING LIKE THAT!
THE TIGHTER THE PINCH I'M IN, THE STRONGER MY FIRE.
I'M GOING TO APPLY THE HERBS NOW.
SO I CAN GET OUT OF ANY SCRAPE ...
THIS MIGHT STING.

OW, OW, OW, OW, OW!
IT MUST BE HARD, TRYING TO LOOK TOUGH BUT FAILING MISERABLY.
HMPH!
I GET IT.
HUH !?
HOW DARE YOU DO PITYING ME, YOU LOSER!?
RAAAWR
DON'T PUT ME ON THE SAME LEVEL AS YOU!

SUN (WAVE)
SUN
.....
LOOKS LIKE HE'S OKAY TOO.
ZA
ZA
NOW WE CAN GET AN IDEA OF WHERE KUROME FLED TO.
ZA (TRUDGE)
... HAAH ...
ALL MY TOYS BESIDES NATALA AND DOYA GOT BROKEN
IT'LL PROBABLY BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME TO ASSEMBLE A CREW LIKE THAT AGAIN...

.....
POKI (CRUNCH)
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POKI
ポリ
YUMMY CANDIES.
...I'M TIRED.
BA (WHIP)
GAGA (RUSTLE)
I WAS WORRIED ABOUT YOU TOO, BOLS... THAT WAS SUCH A HUGE EXPLOSION.
YOU'RE OKAY! THANK GOOD-NESS!
I KNEW IT! IT'S YOU, KUROME!
AH... ...!

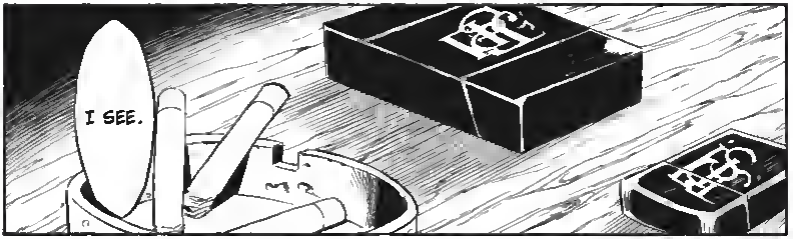
I UNDERWENT A RITE OF FLAME RESISTANCE WHEN I WAS WITH THE INCINERATION SQUAD.
OH.
I SEE...!

THANK GOOD-NESS...

LOOKS LIKE SHE DOESN'T SUSPECT... AND SHE'S DISARMED YATSUFUSA.
I GLEANED EACH JAEGER'S SPEECH PATTERN AND MAN-NERISMS FROM WHAT TATSUMI TOLD ME...
BUT I'M SORRY...
I LOST... MY TEIGU.

ACCORDING TO AKAME, KUROME'S DOPED UP...!!
BUT I CAN'T TAKE HER OUT YET...

JUST TO BE SAFE, I'LL WAIT UNTIL SHE GIVES ME A MORE DEFINITE OPENING...!!
THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT MOVE SHE'LL MAKE WHEN I ATTACK...!


I SEE.

AND NOW SHE'S GOING AFTER KUROME ON HER OWN ..
SO SHE TOOK DOWN BOLS.
BUT... BOSS!

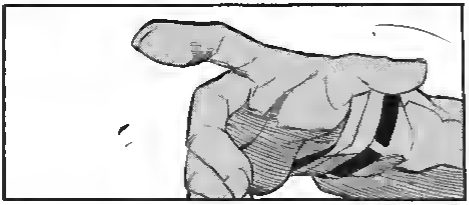
KUROME MIGHT HAVE SOMETHING MORE GOING ON THAN WHAT AKAME KNOWS.
...!
THE WAY KUROME MOVED WHEN SHE AVOIDED MY SNIPER ATTACK...
IT LOOKED LIKE THE RESULT OF A WHOLE LOT MORE THAN JUST THE DOPING WE'VE BEEN TOLD ABOUT.
I'M NOT SO SURE CHELSEA WILL BE ABLE TO HANDLE HER...
WE'D BETTER HURRY AND SEND HER REINFORCE-MENTS!
AKAME. TATSUMI. YOU HEARD HER.
I KNOW YOU'RE NOT FULLY RECOV-ERED, BUT...
...GO AFTER CHELSEA AND BACK HER UP!

WHIP
YOU GOT IT!
WE'LL HEAD RIGHT OUT.
...HMM. WHAT'S WITH THIS TARGET?
THERE'S SOMETHING WEIRD ABOUT HER I JUST CAN'T PUT MY FINGER ON...
WE'LL BE REACHING TOWN SOON.
THERE MAY BE AN AMBUSH AWAITING US...

SHE'S NOT GIVING ME ANY GOOD OPEN-INGS.
MAYBE I SHOULD FORGET THIS AND GET OUT OF HERE...

MAYBE THE CAPTAIN WILL COME BACK.
SO LET'S BE CAREFUL UNTIL THEN...
FURA (SWAY)

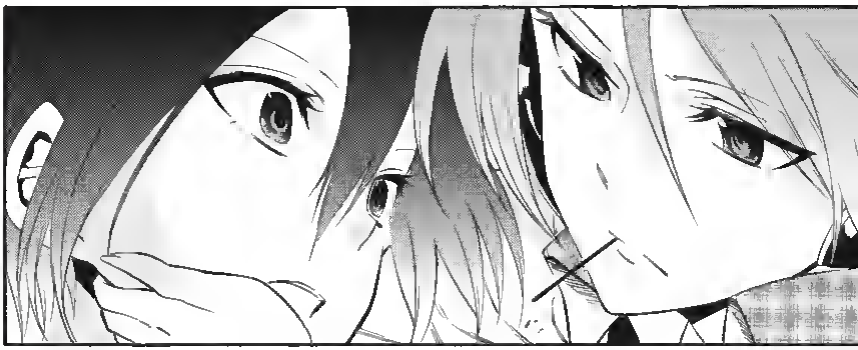
KUH!
...IT'S BECAUSE I STOPPED EATING MY CANDY HALFWAY THROUGH.



DO (THUD)
A...ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, KUROME!

SASU
さす
SASU (STROKE)
さす
D...
DOES IT HURT?
I'M OKAY...
I JUST NEED SOME CANDY.
YOU LOOK LIKE YOU'RE IN PAIN...
YOU POOR THING.
SU (SHIP)
す
I KNOW.
I'LL GIVE YOU A GOOD LUCK CHARM THAT WILL MAKE IT ALL GO AWAY.

KUROME'S CANDY
DOSU (STAB)



THERE ...
NOW IT WON'T HURT ANY-MORE.
GOOD-BYE.
AH...
SIS...

SIS...
TE...R...
ASSAS-
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TIONS
COM-
PLETE
...
...ON
BOTH
TAR-
GETS
...
THIS
GIRL
...
HER
LAST
WORD
WAS
"SISTER"
...
...I FEEL
SORRY
FOR HER,
BUT...

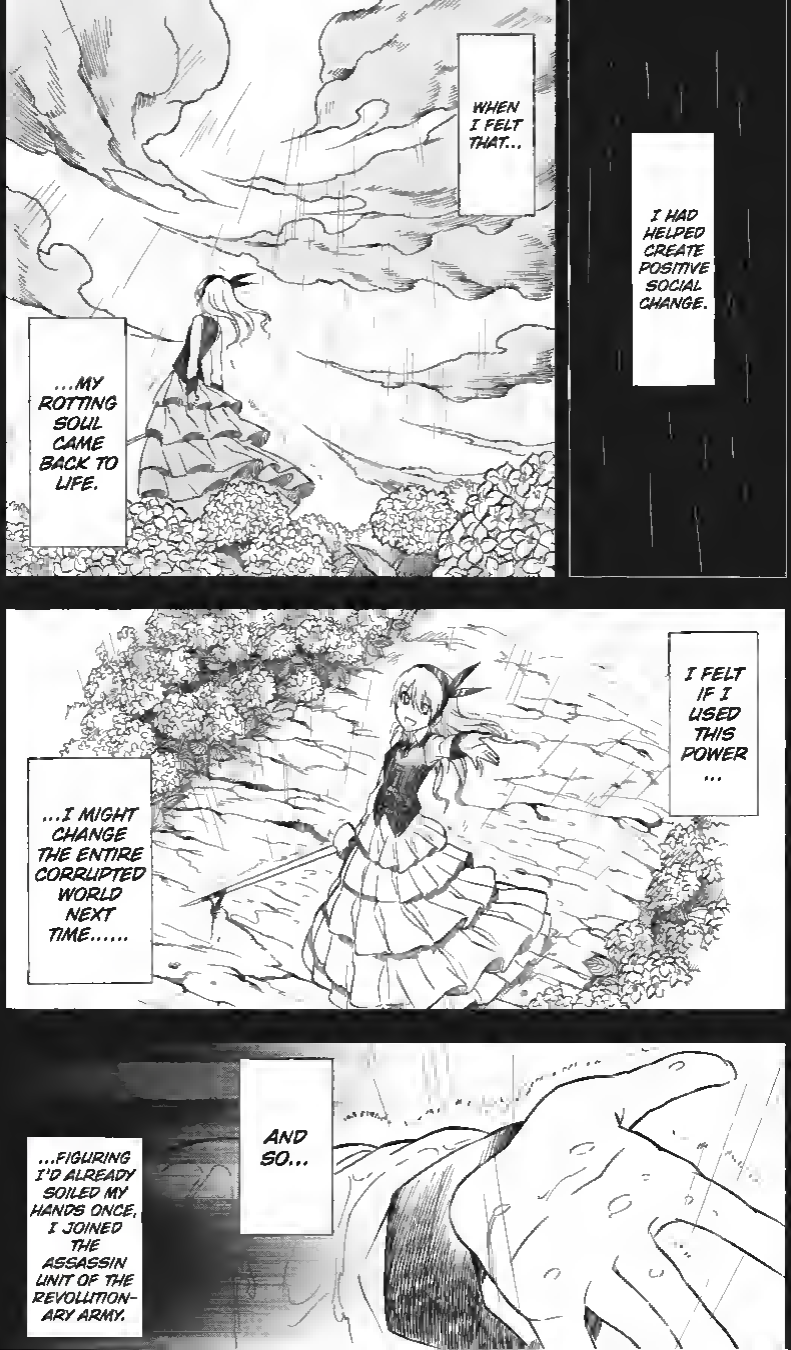
...JUST THINK OF IT AS KARMA FOR A KILLER...

I WAS BORN IN AN AVERAGE HOUSE-HOLD.
BECAUSE OF MY GOOD GRADES, I WAS HIRED INTO THE LOCAL PUBLIC OFFICE.
I FIGURED I'D RISE THROUGH THE RANKS AND EVEN MARRY INTO A HIGHER SOCIAL POSITION
I'D LIVE THE GOOD LIFE.
BUT THAT CAREFREE THINKING VANISHED THE MOMENT I STARTED WORKING THERE.

IMPERIAL OFFICES WERE PART OF A DIRTY SYSTEM WHERE BRIBES WERE PAR FOR THE COURSE...
THE VICEROY THERE WAS A PIECE OF SHIT WHO LIKED TO HUNT HUMANS OVER ANIMALS.
BUT THAT WASN'T ALL.
...AND THAT I CAME TO GET USED TO THOSE SCENES MADE ME LOATHE MYSELF.
THE BRIBES AND HUNTS GOING ON IN [redacted]...
BUT I WAS JUST ONE GIRL. WHAT COULD I DO?
JUST AS I WAS FEELING NIHILISTIC AND MY SOUL WAS ON THE VERGE OF DYING...

...I CAME ACROSS THE GAIA FOUNDATION DOWN IN THE CASTLE'S STOREROOM.
BUT JUST LOOKING AT IT, I COULD FEEL IT.
BECAUSE NOBODY COULD USE IT, IT WAS STORED AWAY.
TELLING ME THAT I COULD USE IT.
THE TEIGU WAS CALLING TO ME.

I TOOK MY TIME SNEAKING THE TEIGU AWAY.
AND USING ITS TRANS-FORMATIVE POWERS, I KILLED THE VICEROY.
AND THE NEW VICEROY DID A GOOD JOB BRINGING THE REGION BACK INTO ORDER.
EVERY-ONE WAS RELIEVED AT THE TYRANT'S DEATH.


WHEN I FELT THAT...
I HAD HELPED CREATE POSITIVE SOCIAL CHANGE.
...MY ROTTING SOUL CAME BACK TO LIFE.
I FELT IF I USED THIS POWER ...
...I MIGHT CHANGE THE ENTIRE CORRUPTED WORLD NEXT TIME.....
AND SO...
...FIGURING I'D ALREADY SOILED MY HANDS ONCE, I JOINED THE ASSASSIN UNIT OF THE REVOLUTIONARY ARMY.

I'M GOING TO MAKE THE WORLD A PEACEFUL PLACE.
SO WAIT TO BE REINCARNATED THEN.
HEY...
GIRI (SCRAPE)
ZU (SWOOSH)

IT HURTS A LOT...
SO MUCH PAIN...
THAT GOOD LUCK CHARM ...
... DIDN'T WORK ...
!!
BUT I'M SURE I HIT YOUR VITAL POINT ...!!
ZUDOOO (ZWOOOSH)
IT'S A HEAVY BURDEN ON THE ONE HAND, BUT...
PAKU (SNUP)
THE POWERFUL DRUGS THAT REINFORCE MY BODY...
KARI (CRUNCH)
...THEY MADE SOME NEW ADVANCE-MENTS WITH THE MEDICINE.
AFTER SISTER LEFT...

YURA (HALF?)
IF YOU WANT TO KILL ME...
...YOU HAVE TO EITHER DESTROY MY HEART OR CUT MY HEAD OFF.

...EVEN I CAN HARDLY BELIEVE ITS USEFUL EFFECTS ...
YURUU (SHIINK)

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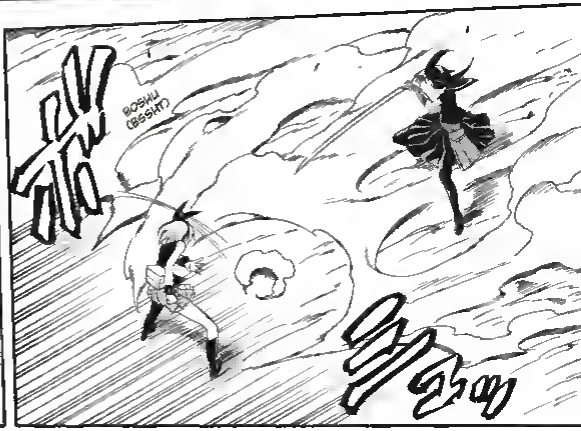

BOSHU (BASH)

GACHA
I'LL HAVE TO TRANS-FORM TO ESCAPE!
DA (SLASH)
KUHI
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT... SHE'S HALF-INHUMAN NOW...
DO
DO (SLASH)

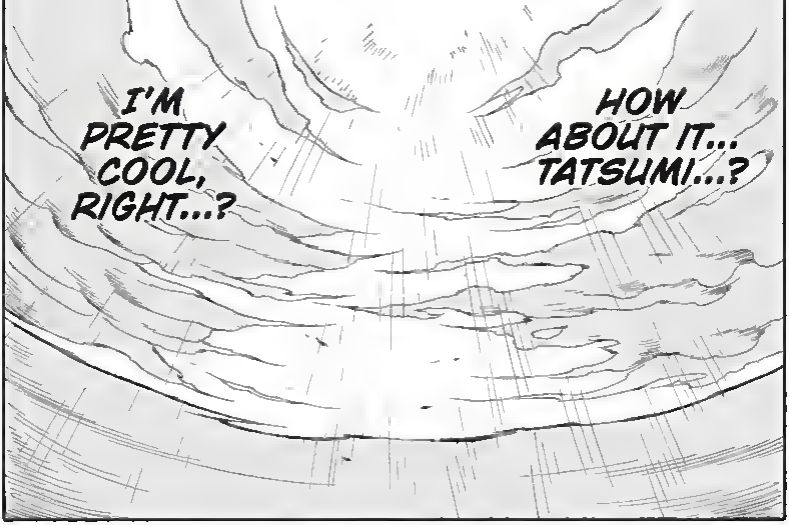
NH ...!
DO (CRA) GO
SHIT .....
EARLIER SHE SAID "BOTH TARGETS" ...
THAT MUST MEAN...
BUT... IN THAT CASE...
...I'LL HAVE TO KILL THE GIRL WHILE I'M STILL CONSCIOUS ...!
DOSA (THUD)
HAAH! HAAH!
I CAN'T MOVE... THIS MIGHT BE IT FOR ME.
HFF!
HAAH ...

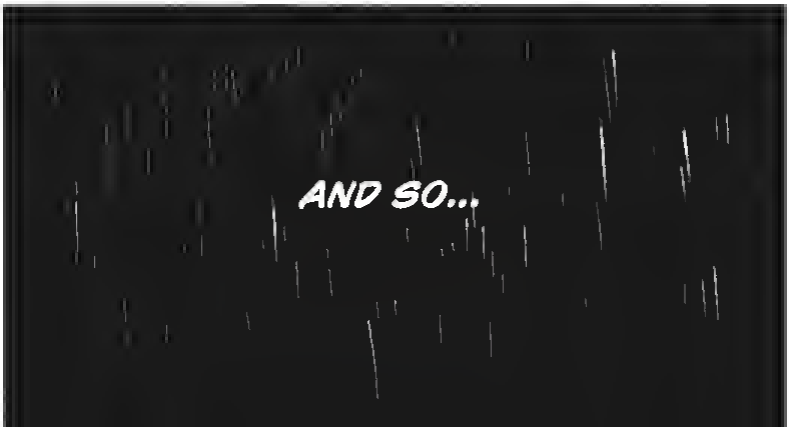
WE MUST AVENGE BOLS!
NATALA! DOYA!!
CHOP HER UP!!
HAAH!
HAAH!
HAAH!
HAAH!
HAFF!

TA (TMP)
!
ZANKU (SLICE)

AH ...!
...
BAM (BLAM)
DOSH (THUD)

I SEE.
OH ...
...IS ME...
SO THE ONE WHO'S PAYING FOR HER SINS...
I WAS HOPING TO GET BACK AND BE COM-MENDED...
DAMN ...


I'M PRETTY COOL, RIGHT...?
HOW ABOUT IT... TATSUMI...?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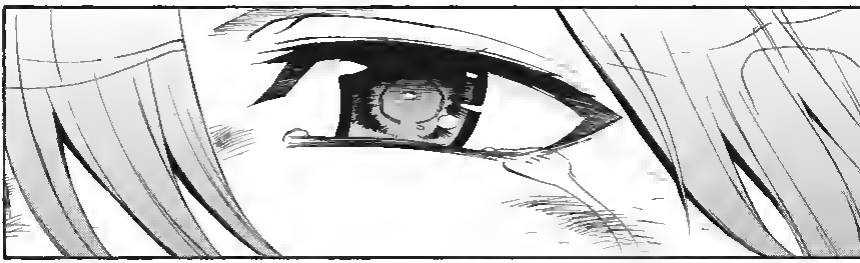
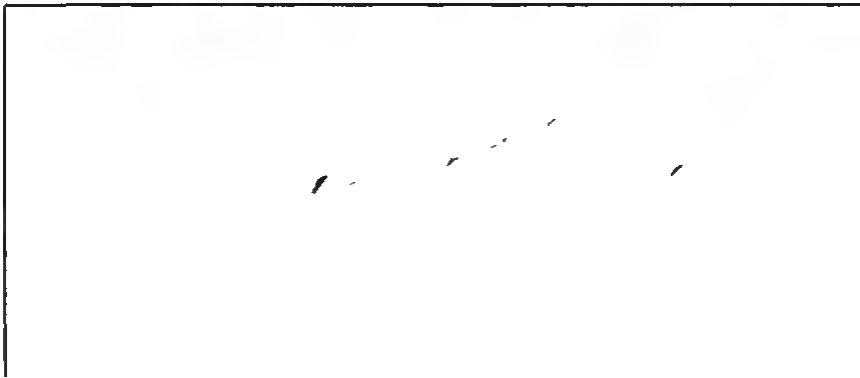
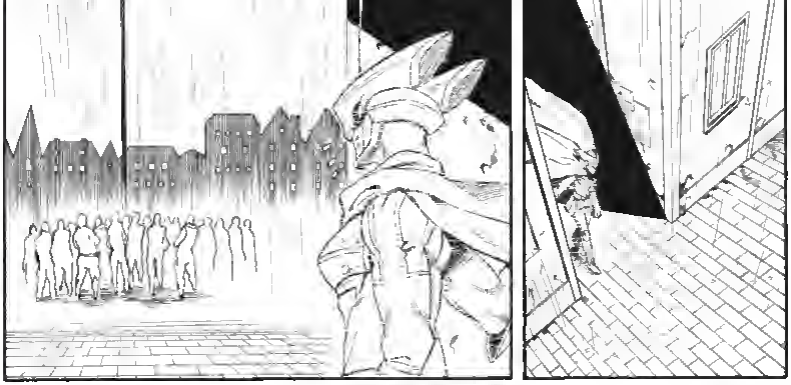




WELL, I'M GOING TO TURN INVISIBLE AND GO INTO TOWN.
BE CARE-FUL.
JUST TAKE A QUICK LOOK AROUND AND COME BACK!
ZAAAAAAA (SSSHHH)
RIGHT.
BASHU (SWISH)
DO (DASH)

THE BLOOD-STAINS ON THE ROAD LED ALL THE WAY INTO TOWN.
IF CHELSEA'S BEEN CAPTURED, THEN WE HAVE TO FREE HER.
BASHA (SPLASH)
BUT SHE'S GOT A GOOD HEAD ON HER SHOULDERS.
SHE MAY HAVE BYPASSED US AND ALREADY RETURNED TO WHERE THE BOSS IS.
THAT'S RIGHT.
THERE'S NOTHING SHE CAN'T DO.
THAT BLOOD DEFINITELY BELONGED TO THE ENEMY.



A CROWD...?

DOSHA
(SPLASH)

ZAAAAAAA (FSSSHH)
NIGHT RAID...
...IS DOWN TO SEVEN.

TAKAHIRO's POSTSCRIPT

Hello.
This is the writer who headed this work, Takahiro from Minato Soft.

◆ Netele
I took his name from one of the alternate names of the Hindu god Shiva, "Nataraaja," because he wields a spear of the same name as Shiva's. The last command he's given by his master in the final chapter is "chop her up!" and the way he wastes no time cutting her head off reflects his personality from when he was alive.

◆ Doya
I named her this because she always has a "how was that?" kind of face on (*Doya-kao* describes a triumphant expression.) She's a sympathetic character who we can see bawling her eyes out upon her demise at Kurome's hands.

◆ Death Tegool
A legendary Super-Class Danger Beast that was used as raw material for Teigu. An indisputably powerful opponent. Its name comes from the name of the final boss in *Dragon Quest*.

◆ Rokugou
One of the few generals in the Empire with good sense. When he tried to defect to the Revolutionary Army, he was assassinated. The generals of the Empire, excluding the Boss, Esdeath, and Budo, all followed a set rule regarding their names: they're named after stations on the Keihin Electric Express Railway. Since it's a railway I ride often myself, I was sitting on the train thinking about the *Akame* story and what names to use when I looked up and saw the station names just staring me in the face, so...
And that's how I got the idea. Sorry for inserting my personal life into it.

◆ Ape Man
Next strongest after the Super Class is the Special-Class Danger Beast. Since he's faster and stronger than the others, I figured, "I'll just make him an ape man." His name is pretty self explanatory.

◆ Hunter
This is the last remaining member of a tribe that appeared in the fourth volume of the series. Because he moves kinda weird, I called him Hunter. (*Hentai* means "weird.") He's Kurome's prized catch.

◆ Kaiser Frog
What you see is what you get. He's the strongest of all the frogs in the *Akame* world. Hence his name, Kaiser, German for "emperor." Since he only ate away a little of Mine's clothing, a faction of the more chivalrous readers complained that he's a useless frog.

◆ Wall
Since he's a very capable bodyguard I named him "Wall." In order to get our characters to use their special moves, I made him play the defensive role.

That's all. Thank you very much for reading this far.
See you again in Volume 8.

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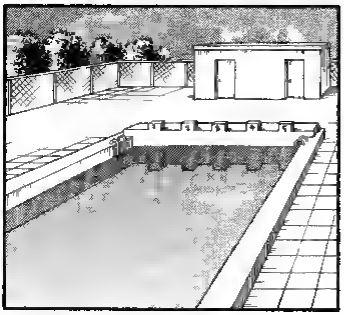
HERE WE ARE! IN THE WORLD OF "ARACHNID"!
I'M SO EXCITED! WHAT KIND OF COLLABORATION WILL THIS TURN OUT TO BE!?

SHIRT: JUSTICE MAN



A "CUTE OLDER LADY" SHOWDOWN BETWEEN KABUTO AND NAJENDA!!?
WILL IT BE A SHOW-DOWN BETWEEN GOU'S AND MINE'S COSPLAY?
A CONTEST OF BOOBS BETWEEN CATER-PILLAR AND LEONE?
A CATFIGHT BETWEEN ALICE AND AKAME?
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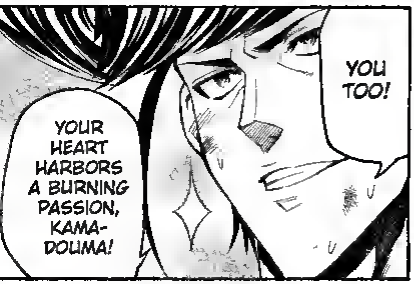
BUBOOO (SNORT)
CALM DOWN, LUBBO.



ARACHNID CHARACTER DESIGN: SHINSEN IFUJI-SENSEI

WHAT WOULD IT TAKE FOR ME TO GET A ROLE IN THE ACTUAL STORY AGAIN?
UM...
HOW THE HELL WOULD I KNOW!!?
I JUST KNEW...
I KNEW IT.
THIS IS THE CLIMAX WE GET? DAMMIT!

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